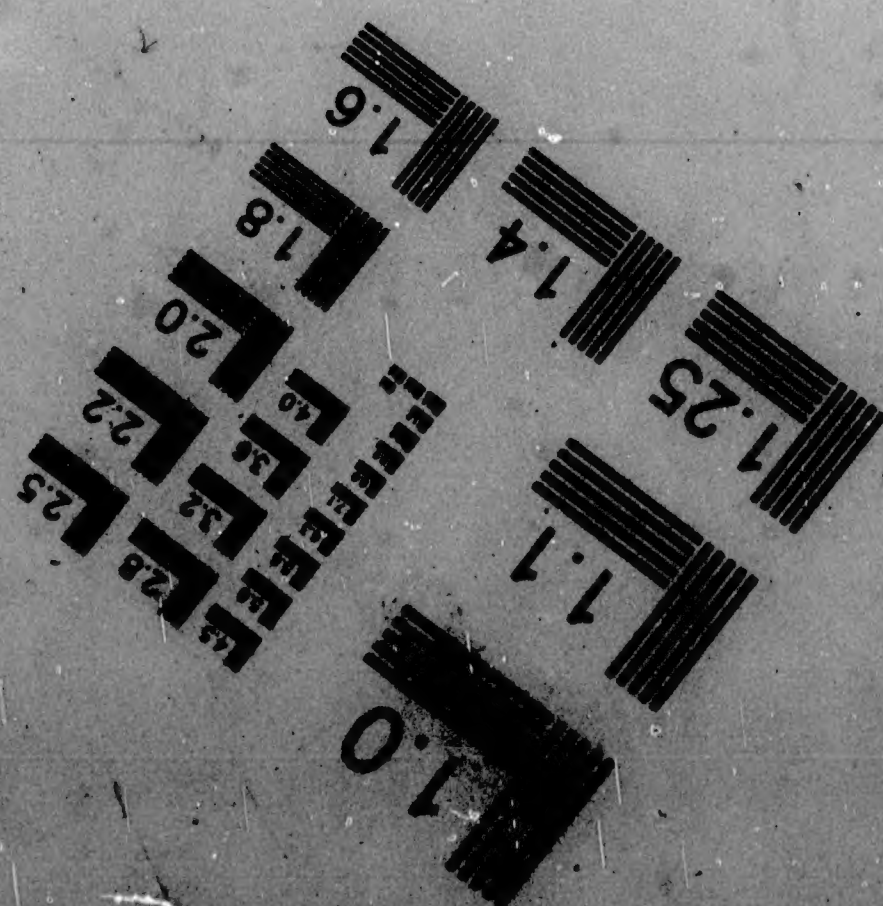
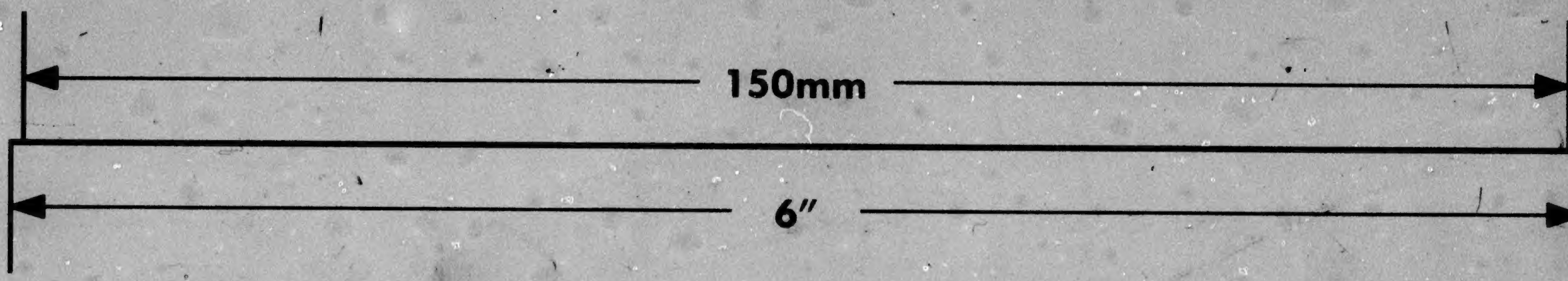
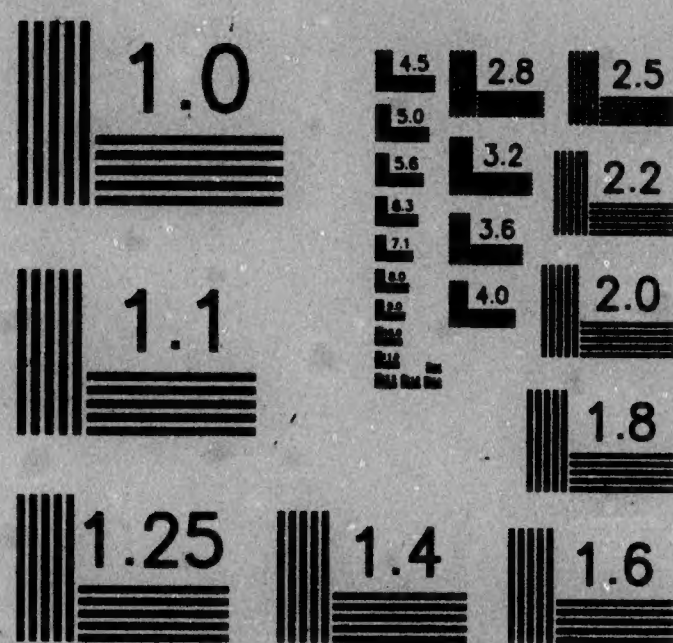
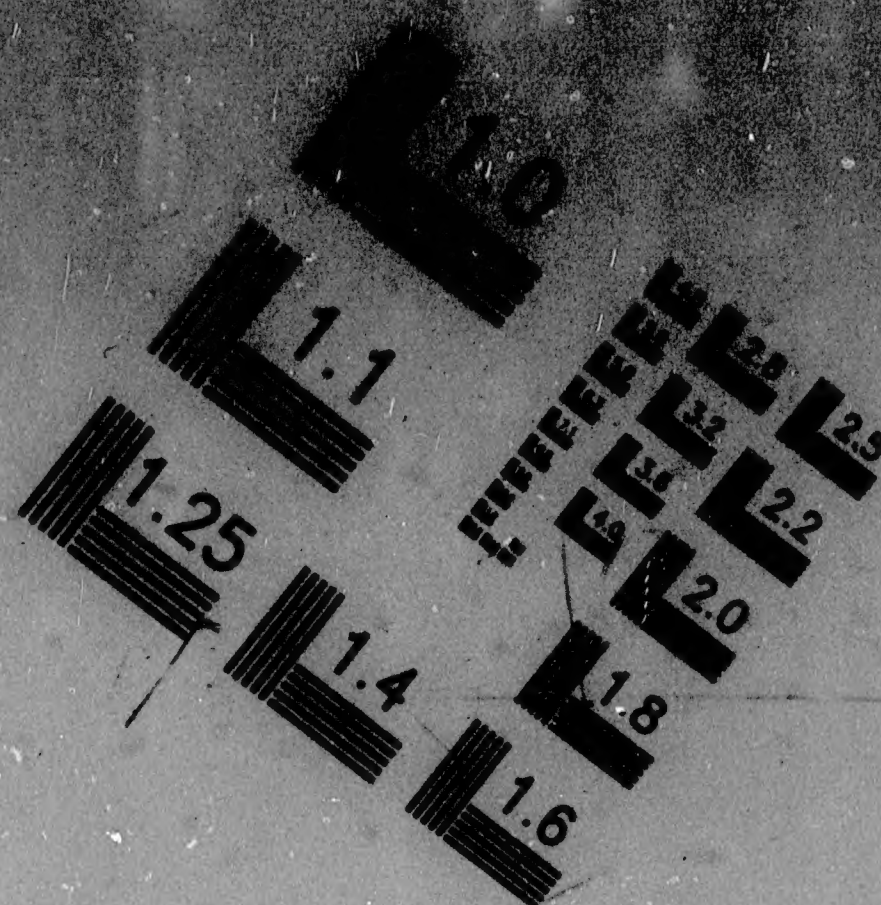
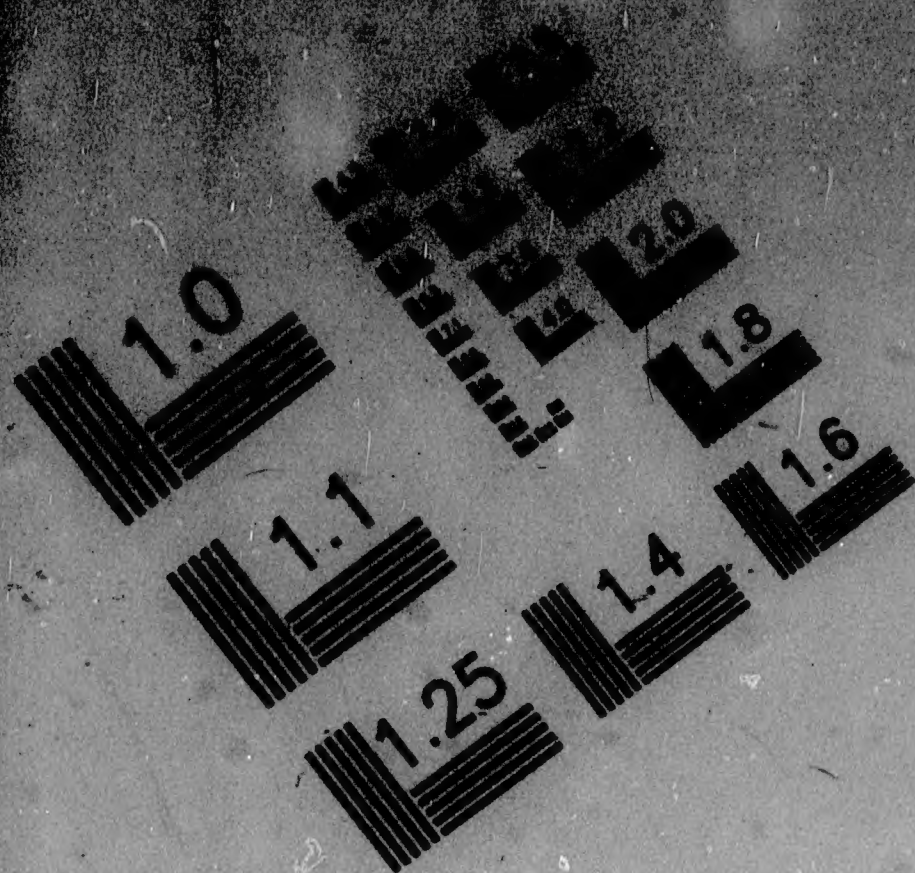


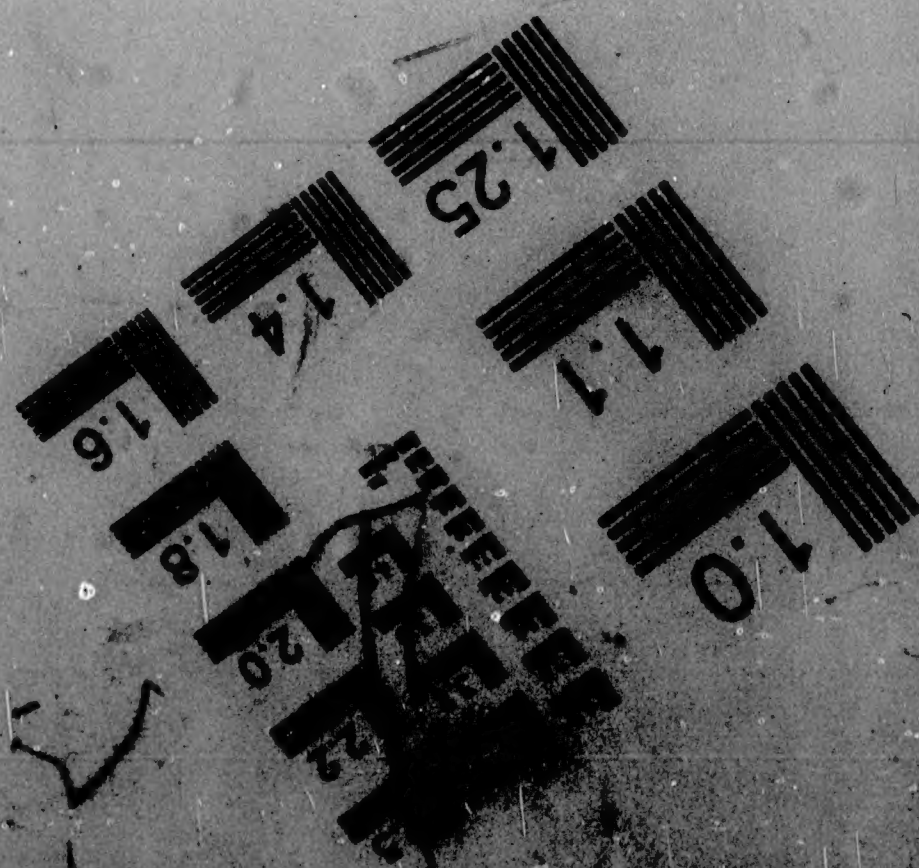


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INTRODUCTION

On the 133 rolls of this microfilm publication, M1904, are reproduced the records of the Kentucky headquarters for the Assistant Commissioner and his staff officers and the subordinate field offices of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-1872. These records consist of bound volumes and unbound records, containing materials that include letters sent and received, monthly reports, registers of complaints, labor contracts, and other records relating to freedmen's claims and bounty payments. These records are part of the Records of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, Record Group (RG) 105.

HISTORY AND ORGANIZATION

The Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, also known as the Freedmen's Bureau, was established in the War Department by an act of Congress on March 3, 1865 (13 Stat. 507). The life of the Bureau was extended twice by acts of July 16, 1866 (14 Stat. 173), and July 6, 1868 (15 Stat. 83). The Bureau was responsible for the supervision and management of all matters relating to refugees and freedmen, and of lands abandoned or seized during the Civil War. In May 1865, President Andrew Johnson appointed Maj. Gen. Oliver Otis Howard as Commissioner of the Bureau, and Howard served in that position until June 30, 1872, when activities of the Bureau were terminated in accordance with an act of June 10, 1872 (17 Stat. 366). While a major part of the Bureau's early activities involved the supervision of abandoned and confiscated property, its mission was to provide relief and help freedmen become self-sufficient. Bureau officials issued rations and clothing, operated hospitals and refugee camps, and supervised labor contracts. In addition, the Bureau managed apprenticeship disputes and complaints, assisted benevolent societies in the establishment of schools, helped freedmen in legalizing marriages entered into during slavery, and provided transportation to refugees and freedmen who were attempting to reunite with their family or relocate to other parts of the country. The Bureau also helped black soldiers, sailors, and their heirs collect bounty claims, pensions, and back pay.

The act of March 3, 1865, authorized the appointment of Assistant Commissioners to aid the Commissioner in supervising the work of the Bureau in the former Confederate states, the border states, and the District of Columbia. While the work performed by Assistant Commissioners in each state was similar, the organizational structure of staff officers varied from state to state. At various times, the staff could consist of a superintendent of education, an assistant adjutant general, an assistant inspector general, a disbursing officer, a chief medical officer, a chief quartermaster, and a commissary of subsistence. Subordinate to these officers were the assistant superintendents, or subassistant commissioners as they later became known, who commanded the subdistricts.

The Assistant Commissioner corresponded extensively with both his superior in the

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Washington Bureau headquarters and his subordinate officers in the subdistricts. Based upon reports submitted to him by the subassistant commissioners and other subordinate staff officers, he prepared reports that he sent to the Commissioner concerning Bureau activities in areas under his jurisdiction. The Assistant Commissioner also received letters from freedmen, local white citizens, state officials, and other non-Bureau personnel. These letters varied in nature from complaints to applications for jobs in the Bureau. Because the assistant adjutant general handled much of the mail for the Assistant Commissioner's office, it was often addressed to him instead of to the Assistant Commissioner.

In a circular issued by Commissioner Howard in July 1865, the Assistant Commissioners were instructed to designate one officer in each state to serve as "general Superintendents of Schools." These officials were to "take cognizance of all that is being done to educate refugees and freedmen, secure proper protection to schools and teachers, promote method and efficiency, correspond with the benevolent agencies which are supplying his field, and aid the Assistant Commissioner in making his required reports." In October 1865, a degree of centralized control was established over Bureau educational activities in the states when Rev. John W. Alvord was appointed Inspector of Finances and Schools. In January 1867, Alvord was divested of his financial responsibilities, and he was appointed General Superintendent of Education.

An act of Congress, approved July 25, 1868 (15 Stat. 193), ordered that the Commissioner of the Bureau "shall, on the first day of January next, cause the said bureau to be withdrawn from the several States within which said bureau has acted and its operation shall be discontinued." Consequently, in early 1869, with the exception of the superintendents of education and the claims agents, the Assistant Commissioners and their subordinate officers were withdrawn from the states.

For the next year and a half the Bureau continued to pursue its education work and to process claims. In the summer of 1870, the superintendents of education were withdrawn from the states, and the headquarters staff was greatly reduced. From that time until the Bureau was abolished by an act of Congress approved June 10, 1872 (17 Stat. 366), effective June 30, 1872, the Bureau's functions related almost exclusively to the disposition of claims. The Bureau's records and remaining functions were then transferred to the Freedmen's Branch in the office of the Adjutant General. The records of this branch are among the Bureau's files.

THE FREEDMEN'S BUREAU IN KENTUCKY

ORGANIZATION

From July 1865 until June 1866, Maj. Gen. C. B. Fisk served as Assistant Commissioner for both Kentucky and Tennessee. Fisk appointed Bvt. Brig. Gen. John Ely to serve as chief superintendent for the Bureau at Kentucky (from March to June 1866). Ely established his headquarters at Louisville, Kentucky, and divided

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his operations into five subdistricts: Lexington, Louisville, Northwestern, Southern, and Central. Records relating to Kentucky created prior to Ely's tenure may be included among the files of the Assistant Commissioner for Tennessee.

In June 1866, Maj. Gen. Jeff C. Davis was appointed as the first Assistant Commissioner for Kentucky. Superintendents (or subassistant commissioners) employed under Davis were generally responsible for from 3 to 11 counties, and agents (civilian and military) from 1 to 3 counties. Agents received their orders directly from superintendents, and all superintendents were required to submit monthly reports of their activities to the Assistant Commissioner. Brig. Gen. Sidney Burbank succeeded Davis in March 1867 and was replaced by Maj. Benjamin Runkle, who served from January 1869 to May 1869 as Assistant Commissioner and superintendent of education. In August 1870, when superintendents of education were withdrawn from the states, Runkle served as claims agent for Kentucky until July 1871. H. H. Ray succeeded Runkle as claims agent, and served in this capacity until December 1871. P. J. Overley became the claims agent in January 1872 and remained in this position until the Bureau's operations in Kentucky were discontinued in April. The major subordinate field offices for the Bureau at Kentucky included those with headquarters at Bowling Green, Lebanon, Lexington, Louisville, and Paducah. For a list of known Kentucky subordinate field office personnel and their dates of service, see the Appendix.

ACTIVITIES

While the Freedmen's Bureau did not begin full operations in Kentucky until June 1866, its activities in the state generally resembled those conducted in other Southern states. The Bureau supervised labor contracts between planters and freedmen, administered justice, assisted freedmen in the establishment of schools, helped freedmen legalize marriages, and worked with black soldiers and their heirs in processing claims relating to military service.

The regulation of written labor agreements between planters and freedmen was a major concern of the Freedmen's Bureau. In a circular issued on July 24, 1865 (Circular Number 2), Assistant Commissioner Fisk told his subordinates that for both Kentucky and Tennessee freedmen must be free to choose their own employers and that wages were to be based on supply and demand rather than a fixed rate. Bureau officials were to negotiate and approve labor contracts and enforce violations by either party. Compulsory unpaid labor was strictly prohibited. In some areas of Kentucky, planters refused to enter into written agreements with freedmen, and freedmen themselves were reluctant to enter into annual agreements for fear of being reduced to slavery. However, with strong reservations, Bureau officers negotiated monthly agreements for them but encouraged freedmen to sign annual contracts that offered yearlong employment. Wages for monthly contracts ranged from \$8 to \$10 a month for adult male field hands, well below the state's average wage of \$15 a month for men. However by the summer of 1866, with the Bureau's insistence, adult laborers in the tobacco region of the state received \$25 per month and laborers in the farm belt areas earned \$12 per month. In some Kentucky counties, freedmen

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received a third of the crops rather than wages. However, because of the shortage of laborers in the state, freedmen were able to demand higher wages, and thus over time the sharecropping system became less attractive.¹

The Bureau worked to protect the rights and legal status of freedmen, which, despite the ending of slavery by the 13th Amendment, were still endangered by the persistence of the old slave codes. On May 30, 1865, Commissioner Howard issued Circular Number 5, authorizing Assistant Commissioners to establish courts in states where the old codes existed and the right of blacks to testify against whites was prohibited. Gen. Fisk subsequently announced to the citizens of Kentucky that freedmen courts would operate in the state as long as freedmen weren't given the same rights as whites. By 1867, as a result of several Federal court rulings, Bureau courts ceased to operate in Kentucky. When state courts denied black testimony, the agency, under provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1866, took cases involving freedmen to the U.S. District Court of Kentucky. In instances where freedmen lacked resources to pursue their cases in Federal court, the Bureau provided transportation for witnesses and other forms of assistance. Despite the Bureau's efforts to safeguard rights and secure justice for freedmen in Kentucky, admitting the testimony of blacks against whites still remained an issue in 1869 when Bureau Assistant Commissioners and their subordinates were withdrawn from the states. However, in January 1872, with a change in public opinion and pressure from the courts, the Kentucky State Legislature amended state law and allowed blacks to testify.

When Gen. John Ely began his duties as chief superintendent for Kentucky under Gen. Fisk's supervision, there were 30 freedmen schools and more than 2,000 students. The schools were organized and maintained by black churches, with black clergy as instructors. Freedmen schools faced widespread violence and white opposition, and in many cases, teachers and students were forced to abandon efforts to maintain school buildings. Ely and his subordinate assisted freedmen in reopening schools that had been forced to close.² Under Maj. Gen. Jeff C. Davis, who replaced Ely in the summer of 1866, the number of freedmen schools increased to 54, with some 67 teachers and more than 3,200 students. Excluding the schools established at Lexington and Covington under the auspices of the Cincinnati Branch of the Western Freedmen's Aid Society and the Cincinnati Branch of the American Missionary Association, the freedmen schools were taught by black teachers who were supported by subscriptions from parents and black religious institutions. The Bureau, however, rented the building for the school at Lexington. Under Brig. Gen. Sidney Burbank, who succeeded Davis in March 1867, the number of freedmen schools increased to 96, accommodating about 5,000 students aged 6-18. By

¹ House Ex. Doc. 70, 39th Cong., 1st Sess., Serial vol. 1256, p. 48. See also Victor B. Howard, *Black Liberation in Kentucky: Emancipation and Freedom, 1862-1884* (Kentucky: The University Press of Kentucky, 1983), pp. 96-97.

² See report of Maj. J. C. Davis, August 23, 1866, "Synopsis of Letters and Reports Relating to Conditions of Freedmen and Bureau Activities in the States, January 1866-March 1869," vol. 135, Records of the Commissioner, Record Group 105, NARA, pp. 294-395.

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September 1868, in spite of continued violence and opposition, the Bureau had provided support for 135 day schools and 1 night school, serving more than 6,000 students.³

On February 14, 1866, the Kentucky State Legislature passed an act legalizing marriages freedmen had entered into during slavery and authorizing black ministers to solemnize such marriages. Nearly 2 weeks later, on February 26, 1866, Assistant Commissioner Fisk issued Circular Number 5, in accordance with the Kentucky law, directing those freedmen who sought to solemnize a marriage to the county clerk for a marriage license. If the county clerk refused to issue a license, Bureau officials in the subdistricts were authorized to solemnize marriages and issue marriage certificates. Local Bureau officers were required to maintain a register of freedmen marriages and forward a report of such marriages to the Assistant Commissioner at the end of each month. Subordinate Bureau officers were also told to notify persons living as man and wife who had not legalized their marriage, to report to the Bureau to take the necessary steps to do so. Persons who failed to comply were guilty of a misdemeanor and were to be punished by a fine and imprisonment.⁴ This microfilm publication reproduces marriage licenses, certificates, and registers of marriages for the Kentucky subdistricts at Augusta, Bowling Green, Columbus, Cynthiana, Owensboro, Paducah, Mt. Sterling, and Winchester. A single freedmen marriage license and a marriage certificate from Kentucky, filed in the Bureau's headquarters records, has been reproduced on roll 1 of National Archives Microfilm Publication M1875, *Marriage Records of the Office of the Commissioner, Washington Headquarters of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1861-1869*.

In addition to assisting freedmen in solemnizing slave marriages and efforts to sustain the black family, the Bureau helped discharged soldiers, sailors, marines, and their heirs in claims for back pay, bounty payments, and pensions. In accordance with a law passed by Congress on March 29, 1867 (15 Stat. 26), making the Bureau the sole agent for payment of claims relating to black veterans, Bureau disbursing officers assisted freedmen in the preparation and settlement of military claims. In November 1866, in spite of the difficulties in locating veterans who fled the state for fear of violence, Assistant Commissioner Davis reported that he had forwarded more than 260 black soldiers' claims for back pay and bounty payments to Commissioner Howard's office in Washington, DC. In the following year, Assistant Commissioner Burbank reported that his office had assisted nearly 500 veterans with military claims, and in the fall of 1868, for the year ending October 10, 1868, that more than 1,100 received bounty payments through his office.⁵

³ Ross A. Webb, "The Past Is Never Dead, It's Not Even Past: Benjamin P. Runkle and the Freedmen's Bureau in Kentucky, 1866-1870," *The Register of Kentucky Historical Society* vol. 84, no. 4 (Autumn 1986), pp. 348-350.

⁴ See Victor B. Howard, *Black Liberation in Kentucky*, pp. 121-125.

⁵ Senate Ex. Doc. No. 6, 39th Cong., 2nd Sess., Serial vol. 1276, p. 67; See also Annual Reports of the Assistant Commissioners, Kentucky, 1867 and 1868, Records of the Office of the Commissioner, Record Group 105, NARA.

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RECORDS DESCRIPTION

These records consist of volumes and unbound records. The volumes reproduced in this microfilm publication were originally arranged by type of record and thereunder by volume number. No numbers were assigned to series consisting of single volumes. Years later, all volumes were arbitrarily assigned numbers by the Adjutant General's Office (AGO) of the War Department after the records came into its custody. In this microfilm publication, AGO numbers are shown in parentheses to aid in identifying the volumes. The National Archives assigned the volume numbers that are not in parentheses. In some volumes, particularly in indexes and alphabetical headings of registers, there are blank numbered pages that have not been filmed.

The volumes consist of letters and endorsements sent and received, press copies of letters sent, registers of letters received, letters and orders received, registers of freedmen court cases, special orders and circulars issued, registers of claimants, registers of complaints, marriage certificates, and monthly reports forwarded to the Assistant Commissioner. The unbound documents consist of letters and orders received, unregistered letters and narrative reports received, special orders and circulars issued, and general orders and circulars received. The unbound records also contain monthly reports; labor contracts; marriage certificates, and records relating to claims.

Some of the volumes contain more than one type of record, reflecting a common recording practice of clerks and staff officers of that period. On roll 93, for example, the volume of contracts for the Columbus field office also contains a register of marriages. Some other examples of additional series within volumes can be found in records on rolls 106, 123, and 133. Researchers should read carefully the records descriptions and arrangements in the Table of Contents to make full use of these documents.

RELATED RECORDS

In the same record group, RG 105, and related to records of the Bureau's field offices for Kentucky, are those of the Bureau headquarters in Washington, DC, and previously microfilmed records of the Assistant Commissioner and the superintendent of education for Tennessee. These record series are available in the following National Archives microfilm publications:

M742, Selected Series of Records Issued by the Commissioner of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-1872

M752, Registers and Letters Received by the Commissioner of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-1872

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M803, *Records of the Education Division of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-1870*

M999, *Records of the Assistant Commissioner for the State of Tennessee, Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-1869*

M1000, *Records of the Superintendent of Education for the State of Tennessee, Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-1871*

M1875, *Marriage Records of the Office of the Commissioner, Washington Headquarters of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1861-1869*

Records in other National Archives record groups supplement those of the Assistant Commissioner. In Records of United States Army Continental Commands, 1821-1920, RG 393, are records of the military district that included Kentucky. Records relating to employment and welfare of freedmen and abandoned property before the establishment of the Bureau are among Records of Civil War Special Agencies of the Treasury Department, RG 366. The records of the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company, 1865-1874, in Records of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, RG 101, contain information relating to former slaves who maintained accounts with bank branches in Kentucky.

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APPENDIX

This list provides the names and dates of service of chief medical officers and known Freedmen's Bureau personnel at selected subordinate field offices in Kentucky. Additional information regarding persons assigned to various field offices might be found among the Bureau's Washington headquarters station books and rosters of military officers and civilians on duty in the states and other appointment-related records.

LOCATION	DATES
LOUISVILLE	
Chief Medical Officer	
F. S. Town	July 1866-Mar. 1867
W. R. De Witt, Jr.	Mar.-Nov. 1867
R. A. Bell	Nov. 1867-June 1869
BOWLING GREEN	
Chief Subassistant Commissioner	
Charles F. Johnson	July 1866-July 1867
Joseph C. Rodriguez	July-Dec. 1867
Louis A. Reynolds	Jan.-Feb. 1868
A. Benson Brown	Feb.-June 1868
BOWLING GREEN	
Superintendent and Subassistant Commissioner	
R. W. Thing (Superintendent)	Jan.-Mar. 1866
Joseph C. Rodriguez (Subassistant Comm.)	Sept. 1866-July 1867
James A. Shepley (Subassistant Commissioner)	July-Dec. 1867
BRANDENBURG	
Superintendent and Subassistant Commissioner	
York A. Woodward (Superintendent)	Sept. 1866-June 1867
James A. Bolton (Subassistant Commissioner)	May-June 1868
BURKSVILLE	
Subassistant Commissioner	
George W. Kingsbury	Oct. 1866-July 1868
COLUMBUS	
Superintendent and Subassistant Commissioner	
Lt. James F. Bolton (Superintendent, Paducah)	Mar.-Apr. 1866
Lt. James F. Bolton (Superintendent)	Apr. 1866-Mar. 1868
Lt. James F. Bolton (Subassistant)	Mar.-Apr. 1868
Capt. Emerson H. Liscum (Subassistant)	Apr.-July 1868

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COVINGTON
Superintendent
John L. Graham

Jan. 1866–July 1868

DANVILLE
Superintendent and Subassistant Commissioner
William Goodloe (Superintendent)
W. R. Roume (Superintendent)
W. R. Roume (Subassistant)
A. Benson Brown (Subassistant)
Martin Norton (Subassistant)
H. G. Thomas (Chief Subassistant)

Jan.–May 1866
June 1866–Apr. 1867
Apr.–Aug. 1867
Aug.–Dec. 1867
Dec. 1867–Apr. 1868
Feb.–June 1868

GREENSBURG
Superintendent and Chief Agent
George Duff (Superintendent)
P. S. Reeves (Chief Agent)

Oct. 1866–Nov. 1866
Mar. 1867–Feb. 1868

HENDERSON
Chief Subassistant Commissioner
James McCleery
V. H. Echorn
A. Benson Brown

Feb.–May 1868
May 1868
June–July 1868

HENDERSON
Superintendent and Subassistant
F. F. Cheaney (Superintendent)
Wells Bailey (Subassistant)
V. H. Echorn (Subassistant)

Jan.–Dec. 1866
Apr.–Sept. 1867
Jan.–July 1868

LEXINGTON
Chief Superintendent and Chief Subassistant
John Ely (Chief)
James H. Rice (Chief Superintendent)
R. E. Johnson (Chief Superintendent)
James H. Rice (Acting Chief Superintendent)
R. E. Johnson (Acting Chief Superintendent)
R. E. Johnson (Chief Subassistant)

Feb.–Mar. 1866
Apr.–June 1866
June 1866–Feb. 1867
Aug.–Oct. 1866
Oct. 1866–Apr. 1867
Apr. 1867–Dec. 1868

LEXINGTON
Superintendent and Subassistant
James H. Rice (Superintendent)
James H. Rice (Subassistant)
W. R. Montmolin (Acting Subassistant)
Patrick H. Flood (Subassistant)

June 1866–Apr. 1867
Apr.–June 1867
June–July 1867
July–Oct. 1867

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LOUISVILLE

Superintendent and Subassistant Commissioner

S. A. Porter (Superintendent)	July-Aug. 1865
H. A. McCaleb (Superintendent)	Aug.-Nov. 1865
E. D. Kennedy (Acting Superintendent)	Nov. 1865
Walter Babcock (Superintendent)	Mar.-Apr. 1866
A. Benson Brown (Superintendent)	Apr. 1866
C. H. Frederick (Superintendent)	Apr. 1866-June 1866
A. Benson Brown (Acting Superintendent)	June 1866
C. H. Frederick (Superintendent)	July 1866-Apr. 1867
A. Benson Brown (Assistant Superintendent)	July 1866-Apr. 1867
R. W. Roberts (Subassistant)	Apr.-July 1867
J. Catlin (Subassistant)	July 1867-July 1868
J. Catlin (Chief Subassistant)	July-Dec. 1868

PADUCAH

Chief Superintendent and Chief Subassistant Commissioner

John H. Donovan (Chief Superintendent)	Apr.-Dec. 1866
John F. Smith (Acting Chief Superintendent)	Aug. 1866
W. James Kay (Chief Superintendent)	Dec. 1866-Apr. 1867
W. James Kay (Chief Subassistant)	Apr.-June 1867
W. James Kay (Chief Subassistant)	June 1867-Mar. 1868
P. T. Swaine (Chief Subassistant)	Apr.-July 1868
A. Benson Brown (Chief Subassistant)	July-Dec. 1868

PADUCAH (McCracken County)

Superintendent, Chief Agent, and Subassistant Commissioner

A. M. York (Superintendent)	Aug. 1865-Apr. 1866
John F. Smith (Superintendent)	Apr.-Nov. 1866
Jas. Drysdale (Superintendent)	Dec. 1866-Jan. 1867
C. D. Smith (Superintendent)	Feb.-Apr. 1867
C. D. Smith (Chief Agent)	Apr. 1867
C. D. Smith (Subassistant)	Apr.-May 1867
C. D. Smith (Chief Agent)	May-Nov. 1867
R. S. Egelston (Subassistant)	May-July 1868

PARIS

Agent

Joseph A. Hilduth	Mar. 1866
Thomas I. Elliott	Mar.-May 1866
R. W. Hutchcraft	June-July 1866

RUSSELLVILLE

Subassistant Commissioner

H. A. Hunter	Mar. 1868
M. E. Billings	Apr.-June 1868

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SMITHLAND

Agent

J. Bone Thompson
Solomon Littlefield

Mar. 1866-Jan. 1867
Mar.-June 1867

WINCHESTER

Superintendent

H. C. Howard
George W. Gist
R. C. Nicholas

Feb. and Sept. 1866
Feb.-June and Sept. 1866
Apr. 1866

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5	<i>Press Copies of Letters Sent</i> The four volumes of press copies of letters sent, December 1870–April 1872, 1 (24), 2 (25), 3 (28), and 4 (29), are arranged chronologically, and volume 4 (29) has a name index. Most of the letters in volumes 3 (28) and 4 (29) have been copied into volume 9 (26) of the letters sent, July 1871–April 1872, mentioned above.	
	Volume 1 (24)	Dec. 1870–May 1871
	Volume 2 (25)	May–July 1871
	Volume 3 (28)	July–Aug. 1871
	Volume 4 (29)	Jan. 1871–Apr. 1872
6	<i>Endorsements Sent</i> The five volumes of endorsements sent, March 1866–August 1870, 1 (30), 2 (31), 3 (32), 4 (33), and 5 (34), are arranged chronologically.	
	Volume 1 (30)	Mar.–Sept. 1866
	Volume 2 (31)	Sept. 1866–Feb. 1867
7	Volume 3 (32)	Feb.–Sept. 1867
8	Volume 4 (33)	Sept. 1867–Dec. 1868
9	Volume 5 (34)	Jan. 1869–Aug. 1870
	<i>Name Index to Registers of Letters Received</i> The single-volume name index, July 1871–April 1872 (13), is an index to volume (12) of the registers of letters received mentioned below.	
	Volume (13)	July 1871–Apr. 1872
	<i>Registers of Letters Received</i> The twelve volumes of registers of letters received are dated March 1866–April 1872 (1–12). Entries in the first nine registers, March 1866–February 1870, are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder chronologically. However, each register does not contain all alphabetical divisions. For example, the “As” are in volumes (1), (3), and (9) only, and the “Gs” are in volumes (1), (2), (3), (6), and (9) only. The volume listings below show the initial letters of surnames included in each volume. The entries within each alphabetical division are numbered with a separate numerical sequence for each year, but don’t always span the time period listed below.	
	The last three registers, January 1870–April 1872, are arranged by time period. The entries in volumes 10 and 11 are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder in chronological order and numbered. The entries in volume 12, July 1871–April 1872, are arranged in chronological order and numbered with a separate numerical sequence for each year. The name index to volume 12 is volume (13) above. The letters received relating to the registers, March 1866–February 1872, are listed below.	
	Volume (1) A–Z	Mar. 1866–Dec. 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
9	<i>Registers of Letters Received</i>	
(cont.)		
	Volume (2)	
	B-H, J, L, Q-T, W	May 1866-Dec. 1868
	Volume (3)	
	A-B, D, F-H, J-M	Sept. 1866-Dec. 1868
	Volume (4)	
	B, F, H, R-S	Apr. 1867-Dec. 1868
10	Volume (5)	
	J-L	Dec. 1866-Jan. 1868
	Volume (6)	
	B-C, G, M-N, T, W-Y	Apr. 1867-Dec. 1868
	Volume (7)	
	J, L, R-S	July 1867-Dec. 1868
11	Volume (8)	
	B-C, H, K	Aug. 1867-Dec. 1868
	Volume (9)	
	A-C, G-H, K, N, W	July 1868-Feb. 1870
12	Volume (10)	Jan. 1870-Jan. 1871
	Volume (11)	Jan. 1871-July 1871
	Volume (12)	July 1871-Apr. 1872
13	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound letters received cover the period March 1866-March 1872. For the period March 1866-July 1871, the letters are arranged by year, thereunder alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent, and thereunder numerically. For the period July 1871-February 1872, they are arranged numerically. Almost all of the letters are entered in the registers of letters received mentioned above. Those letters not entered in the registers are filed after the last entered letters for each year.	
	A1-D132	1866
14	D133-F357	1866
15	F358-H281	1866
16	J½-J249	1866
17	J250-J489	1866
18	K½-O27	1866
19	P1-T30	1866

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
20	<i>Letters Received</i> (cont.)	
	T31	1866
	A4-B249	1867
21	B251-F80	1867
22	F85-G106	1867
23	H1-H741	1867
24	J2-J278	1867
25	J279-J523	1867
26	J524-J775	1867
27	J776-J1018	1867
28	J1019-K314	1867
29	L2-Q	1867
30	R½-R348	1867
31	A1-B137	1868
32	B140-B385	1868
33	B386-C221	1868
34	C223-H217	1868
35	H218-J89	1868
36	J90-J348	1868
37	K2-L162	1868
38	M3-S58	1868
39	S59-Y13	1868
	<i>Unregistered Letters Received</i>	Jan.-Nov. 1868
40	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	A1-H116	1869

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
41	<i>Letters Received</i> (cont.)	
	H120-H621	1869
42	H623-S46	1869
43	S51-Y <i>Unregistered Letters Received</i>	1869 Jan.-Dec. 1869
44	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	A1-H683	1870
45	H684-Y <i>Unregistered Letters Received</i>	1870 Jan.-Dec. 1870
46	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	A3-W1	1871
	1-178	1871
47	179-585 1-162	1871 Jan.-Mar. 1872
48	ISSUANCES	
	<i>General Orders and Circulars</i>	
	The single volume of general orders and circulars, March 1866-April 1869 (36), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (36)	Mar. 1866-Apr. 1869
	<i>Special Orders</i>	
	The single volume of special orders, March 1866-October 1870 (35), is arranged by year and thereunder numerically.	
	Volume (35)	Mar. 1866-Oct. 1870
	REPORTS	
	<i>Narrative Report of Bureau Operations for January 1868</i>	
	Unbound narrative report of Bureau operations for January 1868 is dated February 15, 1868. The report may have been compiled by the chief of staff of Assistant Commissioner Sidney Burbank. The last pages of the report are missing.	
		Feb. 15, 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
48 (cont.)	<i>Inspection Reports Received Concerning Freedmen Conditions and the Operations of the Bureau in Kentucky</i> The single volume of inspection reports received concerning Freedmen conditions and the operations of the Bureau in Kentucky, June 1867–October 1868 (37), is arranged chronologically. These are reports to the Assistant Commissioner made by the assistant inspector general. Volume (37)	June 1867–Oct. 1868
49	<i>Monthly Narrative and Statistical School Reports</i> Unbound monthly narrative and statistical school reports, July 1866–December 1868 are arranged chronologically. The reports are by either the Assistant Commissioner or the superintendent of education on the number and kinds of schools available for freedmen in Kentucky and the work of the Bureau in furthering the establishment of schools.	July 1866–Dec. 1867
50	<i>Narrative and School Reports</i> (cont.)	Jan.–Dec. 1868
51	<i>Teachers' Monthly School Reports Received</i> Unbound teachers' monthly school reports received, October 1866–June 1870, are arranged chronologically. The reports are mainly from teachers in Kentucky, but at the end of the series there are reports from teachers in Illinois, December 1868–June 1870, and from Indiana, March 1868–June 1869.	Oct. 1866–May 1868
52	<i>Teachers' School Reports</i> (cont.)	June 1868–Jan. 1869
53	<i>Teachers' School Reports</i> (cont.)	Feb.–Mar. 1869
54	<i>Teachers' School Reports</i> (cont.)	Apr.–May 1869
55	<i>Teachers' School Reports</i> (cont.)	June–Nov. 1869
56	<i>Teachers' School Reports</i> (cont.)	Dec. 1869–Feb. 1870
57	<i>Teachers' School Reports</i> (cont.)	Feb.–Apr. 1870
58	<i>Teachers' School Reports</i> (cont.) <i>Reports Received from Illinois</i>	May–June 1870 Dec. 1868 and Feb.–June 1869 and Oct. 1869–June 1870
	<i>Reports Received from Indiana</i>	Mar. 1868–June 1869

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
59	<i>Monthly Reports of Operations</i> Unbound monthly reports of operations, April 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically. Most of these tabular reports give the number of freedmen at work, under contract, or apprenticed, and the number of outrages committed in each subdistrict of Kentucky. Some of the reports also give the number of arrests, the number of rations, and clothing issued, the number of claims forwarded and collected, and the number of marriage certificates issued.	Apr. 1866–June 1867
60	<i>Reports of Operations (cont.)</i>	July 1867–Nov. 1868
61	<i>Monthly Reports of Confiscated or Abandoned Lands in the Possession of the Assistant Commissioner</i> Unbound monthly reports of confiscated or abandoned lands in the possession of the Assistant Commissioner, July 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically.	July 1866–Dec. 1868
	<i>Monthly Reports of Rations, Clothing, and Medicine Issued</i> Unbound monthly reports of rations, clothing, and medicine issued, July 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically.	July 1866–Dec. 1868
	<i>Monthly Reports of Changes in Officers and Civilians in the Bureau</i> Unbound monthly reports of changes in officers and civilians in the Bureau, September 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically. The reports usually list the appointments and transfers of Bureau personnel during the reporting period.	Sept. 1866–Dec. 1868
62	OTHER RECORDS <i>Rosters of Officers and Civilians on Duty</i> Unbound rosters of officers and civilians on duty, March 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically.	Mar. 1866–May 1867
63	<i>Rosters of Officers and Civilians (cont.)</i>	July 1867–Dec. 1868
64	<i>List of Teachers Assigned to Schools</i> The single-volume list of teachers assigned to schools, October 1869–March 1870 (38), is arranged alphabetically by name of town. The list of teachers was apparently written in a volume that was formerly a name index to another volume.	Oct. 1869–Mar. 1870
	Volume (38)	

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
64	<i>Labor Contracts</i>	
(cont.)	Unbound labor contracts, 1865-68, are arranged by year and thereunder alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the employer.	
	May-Dec.	1865
	A-D	1866
65	E-M	1866
66	N-Y	1866
67	A-Q	1867
68	R-W	1867
	A-W	1868

OFFICES OF STAFF OFFICERS
DISBURSING OFFICER

Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, May-December 1868 (41), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (41) May-Dec. 1868

69 *Endorsements Sent*

The single volume of endorsements sent, May-December 1868 (42), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (42) May-Dec. 1868

Registers of Letters Received

The two volumes of registers of letters received are dated May-December 1868, 1 (39) and 2 (40). Entries in volume 1 (39) are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder in chronological order and numbered. Volume 2 (40) is a supplemental volume, and it contains entries continued from volume 1 (39) for the letters "B," "C," "H," "M," and "S." For the letters received, January-December 1868, see the unbound letters received mentioned below.

Volume 1 (39)
A-W May-Dec. 1868
Volume 2 (40) Aug.-Dec. 1868

70 *Letters Received*

Unbound letters received, January-December 1868, are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder arranged in chronological order and numbered.

A3-B363 Jan.-Dec. 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
71	<i>Letters Received</i> (cont.) C1-G52	Jan.-Dec. 1868
72	H1-H490	Jan.-Dec. 1868
73	H491-J163	Jan.-Dec. 1868
74	J164-Q9	Jan.-Dec. 1868
75	R2-Y	Jan.-Dec. 1868

76 *Registers of Claimants*

The five volumes of registers of claimants, October 1867-March 1872, 1 (43), 2 (44), 3 (45), 4 (46), and 5 (47), are arranged by time period. The entries are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the claimant and thereunder chronologically. The entries give the name, address, rank, company, and regiment of the soldier; the number of the Treasury certificate; the amount of the claim; and the date it was paid and the amount paid to the claimant.

Volume 1 (43)	Oct. 1867-Dec. 1868
Volume 2 (44)	Jan.-Apr. 1869
Volume 3 (45)	Feb.-June 1871
Volume 4 (46)	July-Dec. 1871
Volume 5 (47)	Jan.-Mar. 1872

77 *Register of Claimants*

The single-volume register of claimants, June-December 1868 (44½), is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the claimant. Some of the names in this register appear in the five volumes of registers of claimants mentioned above. Since the title on the cover is "Case of Major Benj. P. Runkle tried by general court martial, exhibit No. 34," it appears that this volume was an exhibit in the trial.

Volume (44½)	June-Dec. 1868
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Lists of Claimants

The five volumes of lists of claimants are dated ca. 1870-72, 1 (48), 2 (49), 3 (50), 4 (51), and 5 (53). Within each volume the lists are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the claimant. Most of the volumes include the name, address, rank, company, and regiment of the claimant.

Volume 1 (48)	ca. 1870-1872
Volume 2 (49)	ca. 1870-1872
Volume 3 (50)	1871-Feb. 1872
Volume 4 (51)	1870-1871
Volume 5 (53)	Mar.-Dec. 1870

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
77	<i>Receipts of Claimants for Checks</i>	
(cont.)	Unbound receipts of claimants for checks, May–September 1870, are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of surname of the claimant.	
		May–Sept. 1870
	<i>Postage Accounts</i>	
	The single volume of postage accounts, July–December 1871 (52) is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (52)	July–Dec. 1871
78	CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER	
	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
	The two volumes of letters sent, July 1866–June 1869, 1 (55) and 2 (56), are arranged chronologically. Included in volume 1 (55), July 1866–May 1867, are copies of endorsements sent and a list of men for whom certificates of disability were forwarded to the discharge depot, dated July 1863–June 1864.	
	Volume 1 (55)	July 1866–May 1867
	Volume 2 (56)	May 1867–June 1869
	<i>Endorsements Sent</i>	
	The single volume of endorsements sent, May–December 1868 (57), is arranged chronologically. Endorsements sent May 1867–May 1868 are entered in the register of letters received listed below.	
	Volume (57)	May–Dec. 1868
	<i>Register of Letters Received</i>	
	The single-volume register of letters received, May 1868–February 1869 (54), is arranged and numbered in chronological order by date received. The first part of the register consists of endorsements sent, May 1867–May 1868, arranged in chronological order and numbered. Endorsements are a separate series and are continued in the single volume of endorsements sent mentioned above.	
	Volume (54)	May 1868–Feb. 1869
79	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound letters received, August 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically. They are partially registered in the register of letters received (54) mentioned above.	
		Aug. 1866–Sept. 1867
80	<i>Letters Received (cont.)</i>	
		Oct. 1867–Dec. 1868

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MICROFILM PUBLICATIONS

ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
81	<i>Monthly and Weekly Reports of Sick and Wounded</i> Unbound monthly and weekly reports of sick and wounded, December 1866–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.	Dec. 1866–July 1868
82	<i>Monthly Reports Received of Sick and Wounded</i> Unbound monthly reports received of sick and wounded, December 1866–December 1868, are arranged alphabetically by location of hospital or dispensary and thereunder chronologically.	Dec. 1866–Dec. 1868
83	<i>Weekly Reports Received of Sick and Wounded</i> Unbound weekly reports received of sick and wounded, December 1866–December 1868, are arranged alphabetically by location of the hospital or dispensary and thereunder chronologically.	
	Covington	Dec. 1866–Oct. 1868
	Lexington	Dec. 1866–July 1868
84	Louisville, East	July–Dec. 1868
	Louisville, West	July–Sept. 1868
	U. S. General Hospital	June 1866–May 1867
	Louisville Consolidated Hospital Reports	Dec. 1866–July 1867
85	Louisville Consolidated Hospital Reports	Aug. 1867–July 1868
86	Louisville	Aug.–Dec. 1868
87	<i>Monthly Returns of Medical Officers and Reports of Attendants</i> Unbound monthly returns of medical officers and reports of attendants, July 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically.	July 1866–Dec. 1868

Miscellaneous Records and Reports

Unbound miscellaneous records and reports, August 1866–November 1868, are arranged by type of record and thereunder chronologically. This series includes contracts between the chief medical officer and individuals (August 1866–March 1867), inventory and inspection reports (September–November 1868), and a monthly return of medical officers serving in the district (May 1867). There is also a monthly report of persons (by name, age, and sex) enrolled in the general hospital for refugees and freedmen (July 1868); a table showing age, sex, and class of unfortunates among the black people (July 1867); a receipt roll of hired men, (May 1867); and an order (February 1867).

Aug. 1866–Nov. 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
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87 SUBORDINATE FIELD OFFICES

(cont.) **AUGUSTA (SUPERINTENDENT-BRACHEN COUNTY)**

Letters Received

Unbound letters received, January-June 1867, are arranged chronologically. The series includes two marriage licenses/certificates with final dates of marriage of November 1866 and April 1867.

Jan.-June 1867

BOWLING GREEN (CHIEF SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

Letters Sent

The two volumes of letters sent, July 1866-June 1868, 1 (68) and 2 (69), are arranged by year and thereunder arranged in chronological order and numbered. Volume 1 (68) has a name index.

Volume 1 (68)

July 1866-May 1868

Volume 2 (69)

Apr. 1868-June 1868

Endorsements Sent

The single volume of endorsements sent, June-July 1868 (71), is arranged chronologically and numbered.

Volume (71)

June-July 1868

88 Registers of Letters Received and Endorsements Sent

The five registers of letters received and endorsements sent, July 1866-July 1868, 1 (59), 2 (60), 3 (61), 4 (62), and 5 (63), are arranged by time period, and volumes 1 (59), 2 (60), and 3 (61) have name indexes. For letters entered in volumes 3 (61), 4 (62), and 5 (63), see the series of unbound letters received, June 1866-June 1868, mentioned below. The entries in volumes 1 (59), 2 (60), and 3 (61) are arranged in chronological order and numbered with a separate numerical sequence for each year. The entries in volumes 4 (62) and 5 (63) are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder arranged in chronological order and numbered.

Volume 1 (59)

July 1866-Apr. 1867

Volume 2 (60)

May-Oct. 1867

Volume 3 (61)

Oct. 1867-May 1868

Volume 4 (62)

May-June 1868

Volume 5 (63)

June-July 1868

89 Letters Received

The single volume of letters received, June 1866-December 1867 (58), is arranged in chronological order by date received and numbered, and the volume has a name index. For letters copied into this volume, see the series of letters received, June 1866-June 1868, mentioned below.

Volume (58)

June 1866-Dec. 1867

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
89	<i>Letters Received</i>	
(cont.)	Unbound letters received, June 1866-June 1868, are arranged according to their entry in the volume of letters received (58) and the registers of letters received and endorsements sent, 3 (61), 4 (62), 5 (63), mentioned above.	
	1-42	June-Dec. 1866
	29-286, and B3-K9	Jan.-June 1868
	<i>Unregistered Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound unregistered letters received, April 1866-July 1868, are arranged chronologically.	
		Apr. 1866-July 1868
	<i>Special Orders Issued</i>	
	The single volume of special orders issued, July 1866-November 1867 and February-April 1868 (72), is arranged by year and thereunder arranged in chronological order and numbered. The volume also contains circulars issued, February-April 1868, arranged in chronological order and numbered.	
	Volume (72)	July 1866-Nov. 1867 and Feb.-Apr. 1868
	<i>Special Orders Received</i>	
	The single volume of special orders received, June 1866-April 1868 (73), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (73)	June 1866-Apr. 1868
90	<i>Special Orders Received</i>	
	Unbound special orders received, June 1866-March 1868, are arranged in chronological order and numbered. The series also includes circulars.	
		June 1866-Mar. 1868
	<i>Monthly Reports of Operations</i>	
	Unbound monthly reports of operations, June 1866-July 1868, are arranged chronologically. The series includes both statistical and narrative reports from officers subordinate to the subassistant commissioner and retained copies of reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.	
		June 1866-July 1868
	<i>Monthly School Reports</i>	
	Unbound monthly school reports, July 1866-July 1868, are arranged chronologically. The series includes both statistical and narrative reports from officers subordinate to the subassistant commissioner and retained copies of reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.	
		July 1866-July 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
91	<i>Monthly Reports of Persons and Articles Hired</i> Unbound monthly reports of persons and articles hired, July 1866–May 1868, are arranged chronologically.	July 1866–May 1868
	<i>Register of Complaints</i> The single-volume register of complaints, July 1866–February 1868 (77), is arranged chronologically. The volume also contains a list of “loyal correspondents in Bowling Green District (no date),” arranged by county, and a list of “bounty claims forwarded,” dated August 1867 that are arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (77)	July 1866–Feb. 1868
	<i>Register of Cases Tried</i> The single-volume register of cases tried, July 1866–June 1867 (78), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (78)	July 1866–June 1867
	<i>Monthly Reports of Money Received and Expended</i> Unbound monthly reports of money received and expended, June 1866–October 1867, are arranged chronologically.	
		June 1866–Oct. 1867
	<i>Accounts</i> The single volume of accounts, January–October 1867 (75), is arranged by name of person and thereunder chronologically.	
	Volume (75)	Jan.–Oct. 1867
	BOWLING GREEN (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)	
	<i>Name Index</i> The single-volume name index is an index to the letters sent, September 1866–December 1867 (70), mentioned below.	
	1 Volume (Index to Volume 70)	Sept. 1866–Dec. 1867
	<i>Letters Sent</i> The single volume of letters sent, September 1866–December 1867 (70), is arranged by year and thereunder arranged in chronological order and numbered. The name index to this series is mentioned above.	
	Volume (70)	Sept. 1866–Dec. 1867

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
91	<i>Name Index</i>	
(cont.)	The single-volume name index (66) is an index to the two volumes of registers of letters received and endorsements sent, December 1866–December 1867, 1 (64) and 2 (65).	
	Volume (66)	Sept. 1866–Dec. 1867
	<i>Registers of Letters Received and Endorsements Sent</i>	
	The two volumes of registers of letters received and endorsements sent, December 1866–December 1867, 1 (64) and 2 (65), are arranged in chronological order by date received and numbered. Volume 1 (64) also contains endorsements, September–December 1866, arranged in chronological order and numbered. The name index to this series, volume (66), is mentioned above.	
	Volume 1 (64)	Sept. 1866–Sept. 1867
	Volume 2 (65)	Sept.–Dec. 1867
	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	The single volume of letters received, September 1866–December 1867 (67), is arranged in chronological order by date received and numbered.	
	Volume (67)	Sept. 1866–Dec. 1867
92	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound letters received, November 1866–December 1867, are arranged in chronological order and numbered. The letters are registered in the single-volume register of letters received (67) mentioned above.	
		Nov. 1866–Dec. 1867
	<i>Unregistered Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound unregistered letters received, October 1865–March 1866 and November 1866–December 1867, are arranged chronologically.	
		Oct. 1865–Mar. 1866 and Nov. 1866–Dec. 1867
	<i>Special Orders Received</i>	
	The single volume of special orders received, May 1866–December 1867 (74), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (74)	May 1866–Dec. 1867
	<i>Register of Marriages</i>	
	The single-volume register of marriages, December 1865–January 1866 (79), is arranged alphabetically.	
	Volume (79)	Dec. 1865–Jan. 1866

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MICROFILM PUBLICATIONS

ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
92	<i>Accounts</i>	
(cont.)	The single volume of accounts, July 1866–February 1867 (76), is arranged chronologically. The volume also contains a list of bounty claimants, August 1867–February 1868, arranged chronologically. The volume has a name index.	
	Volume (76)	July 1866–Feb. 1867
	<i>Miscellaneous Records</i>	
	Unbound miscellaneous records, January 1866–April 1868, are arranged by type of record. The series includes special orders (September 1866–November 1867), receipts for money (December 1867), affidavits (September–October 1867). Also included is a register of school tickets issued (April 1868), narrative reports (January 1866), and reports of expenses (January 1866).	
		Jan. 1866–Apr. 1868
	BRANDENBURG (SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)	
	<i>Registers of Letters Sent and Received</i>	
	The single volume of register of letters sent and received, January–July 1867 (80), is arranged by type of register and thereunder chronologically. The volume also includes letters sent from Brandenburg dated September 1866 and a register of letters received at Owensboro (June–July 1868).	
	Volume (80)	Sept. 1866 and Jan.–July 1867
	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
	The single volume of letters sent, May–June 1868 (82), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. For letters sent September 1866 and a register of letters sent January–July 1867, see the single volume of registers of letters sent and received (80) mentioned above.	
	Volume (82)	May–June 1868
	<i>Register of Letters Received</i>	
	The single-volume register of letters received, May–July 1868 (81), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.	
	Volume (81)	May–July 1868
	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound letters received, May–June 1868, are arranged chronologically. The letters are registered in the single-volume register of letters received (81) mentioned above.	
		May–June 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
92	BURKSVILLE (SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)	
(cont.)	<i>Letters Sent</i> The single volume of letters sent, October 1866–July 1868 (83), is arranged in chronological order and numbered.	
	Volume (83)	Oct. 1866–July 1868
	<i>Letters Received</i> Unbound letters received, September 1866–June 1868, are arranged chronologically.	
		Sept. 1866–June 1868
93	<i>Monthly Statistical Reports of Operations</i> Unbound monthly statistical reports of operations, September 1866–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.	
		Sept. 1866–July 1868
	<i>Register of Cases in Freedmans Court</i> The single-volume register of cases in "Freedmans Court," October 1866–October 1867 (84), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (84)	Oct. 1866–Oct. 1867
	<i>Miscellaneous Records</i> Unbound miscellaneous records, May 1866–July 1868, are arranged by type of record. Included are monthly reports of schools (October 1866–July 1868); monthly reports of accounts current (May 1866–March 1867); reports of persons and articles hired (February and July 1868); claims for reimbursement (November 1866); and receipts, warrants, and cases tried (October–November 1866).	
		May 1866–July 1868
	COLUMBUS (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i> The single volume of letters sent, June 1866–July 1868 (87), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The volume also contains indentures of apprenticeship (April 1866–January 1868) that are arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (87)	June 1866–July 1868
	<i>Letters Received and a Register of Letters Received</i> The single volume of letters received and a register of letters received, March 1866–May 1868 (86), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The letters received are dated March 1866–April 1868 and the register is dated April–May 1868.	
	Volume (86)	Mar. 1866–May 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
93 (cont.)	<i>Letters Received</i> Unbound letters received, March-July 1868, are arranged chronologically. Several letters are entered in the single volume of letters received and a register of letters received (86) mentioned above. However, most are not.	Mar.-July 1868
	<i>Circulars and Special Orders Received</i> The single volume of circulars and special orders received, July 1865-March 1868 (88), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.	
	Volume (88)	July 1865-Mar. 1868
	<i>Contracts</i> The single volume of contracts, April 1866-November 1867 (89), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The volume also includes a register of marriages dated May 1866-April 1868.	
	Volume (89)	Apr. 1866-Nov. 1867
	<i>Proceedings of Freedmen's Court</i> The single volume of proceedings of Freedmen's Court, April-July 1866 (90), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (90)	Apr.-July 1866
	<i>Miscellaneous Records</i> Unbound miscellaneous records, April-October 1866 and September 1867, are arranged by type of record. The series includes a statement of accounts current (April 1866); affidavits (October 1866 and September 1867); and quarterly reports of schools (April-June 1866).	
		Apr.-Oct. 1866 and Sept. 1867
	COVINGTON (SUPERINTENDENT)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i> The two volumes of letters sent, May 1866-July 1868, 1 (92) and 2 (93), are arranged chronologically.	
	Volume 1 (92)	May-Dec. 1866
	Volume 2 (93)	Jan. 1867-July 1868
	<i>Endorsements Sent and Received</i> The single volume of endorsements sent and received, January 1867-July 1868 (94), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (94)	Jan. 1867-July 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
93	<i>Letters Received</i>	
(cont.)	The single volume of letters received, December 1866–July 1868 (91), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.	
	Volume (91)	Dec. 1866–July 1868
	<i>Register of Complaints</i>	
	The single-volume register of complaints, January–August 1866 (138), is arranged chronologically. The register also contains names of people applying for bounties and a register of letters received by the assistant disbursing officer at Louisville (January–April 1871), which is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (138)	Jan.–Aug. 1866
	<i>Accounts</i>	
	The single volume of accounts, January–April 1866 (95), is arranged chronologically. The volume also contains a list of men who applied for bounty claims (no date), which is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (95)	Jan.–Apr. 1866
94	CYNTHIANA (SUPERINTENDENT)	
	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound letters received, March–July 1866, are arranged chronologically. The series includes orders and circulars received.	
		Mar.–July 1866
	<i>Miscellaneous Records</i>	
	Unbound miscellaneous records, August–October 1866, are arranged by type of record. The series includes testimonies taken at cases tried August 1866 and marriage licenses (October 1866).	
		Aug.–Oct. 1866
	DANVILLE (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
	The three volumes of letters sent, June 1866–June 1868, 1 (100), 2 (101), and 3 (102), are arranged chronologically. Volume 3 (102) also contains a register of letters sent (August–September 1867), arranged in chronological order and numbered. This volume has a name index.	
	Volume 1 (100)	Feb.–June 1868
	Volume 2 (101)	Apr.–June 1868
	Volume 3 (102)	June 1866–Sept. 1867

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DATES

94 *Registers of Letters Received and Endorsements Sent and Received*

(cont.) The four volumes of registers of letters received and endorsements sent and received, September 1866–July 1868, 1 (98), 2 (99), 3 (96), and 4 (97), are arranged chronologically. However, volume 3 (96), which is dated February–April 1868, overlaps in dates with the other registers and appears to include letters filed in the office. The other registers consist almost entirely of letters forwarded to other officers. For letters entered in register 3 (96), see the series of letters received February–April 1868 mentioned below.

Volume 1 (98)	Sept. 1866–Dec. 1867
Volume 2 (99)	Dec. 1867–Apr. 1868
Volume 3 (96)	Feb.–Apr. 1868
Volume 4 (97)	Apr.–July 1868

Letters Received

Unbound letters received, February–April 1868, are arranged according to their entry in register (96) mentioned above.

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95 *Unregistered Letters Received*

Unbound unregistered letters received, January 1866–June 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Jan. 1866–June 1868

96 *Miscellaneous Records*

Unbound miscellaneous records, March 1862–June 1868, are arranged by type of record. The series includes orders received (March 1866–March 1868); monthly operations reports (July 1866–June 1868); monthly school reports (May 1866–June 1868); monthly reports of accounts current and receipts and expenditures (June 1866–January 1867); monthly reports of persons and articles hired (May 1866–June 1868); monthly returns of quartermaster stores received, issued, and remaining on hand (June 1866–June 1867); a list of grand and petit jurors (March 1862–67); a report of unfortunates among freedmen (June 1867); an affidavit (July 1867); a court statement (no date); and a labor contract (January 1866).

Mar. 1862–June 1868

FALMOUTH (AGENT)

Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, March 1867–June 1867 (85), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The volume also contains letters received, February 1867, that are duplicated in volume (103) of letters and orders received September 1866–June 1867 mentioned below.

Volume (85) Mar.–June 1867

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
96 (cont.)	<i>Letters and Orders Received</i> The single volume of letters and orders received, September 1866-June 1867 (103), is arranged chronologically by date received.	
	Volume (103)	Sept.-June 1867
	GEORGETOWN (AGENT)	
	<i>Letters Received</i> Unbound letters received, July 1866-June 1867, are arranged chronologically.	
		July 1866-June 1867
	<i>Miscellaneous Records</i> Unbound miscellaneous records, June 1866-June 1867, are arranged by type of record. The series includes statistical reports of operations (June 1866-June 1867); reports of receipts and expenditures (June 1866-January 1867); monthly school reports by district superintendent (March 1867); and an affidavit (November 1866).	
		June 1866-June 1867
	GREENSBURG (SUPERINTENDENT AND CHIEF AGENT)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i> The single volume of letters sent, October 1866-February 1868 (104), is arranged chronologically. The volume also contains letters received (March-August 1867), arranged chronologically by date received, and a register of letters received (August 1867-January 1868), arranged chronologically by date received.	
	Volume (104)	Oct. 1866-Feb. 1868
	<i>Endorsements Sent and Received</i> The single volume of endorsements sent and received, October 1866-February 1868 (105), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (105)	Oct. 1866-Feb. 1868
	HENDERSON (CHIEF SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i> The single volume of letters sent, March-July 1868 (109), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (109)	Mar.-July 1868
	<i>Register of Letters Received and Endorsements Sent</i> The single-volume register of letters received and endorsements sent, March-July 1868 (107), is arranged in chronological order and numbered and has a name index.	
	Volume (107)	Mar.-July 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
97	<i>Letters Received</i> Unbound letters received, March–July 1868, are arranged according to their entry in the register in register of letters received and endorsements sent (107) mentioned above.	Mar.–July 1868
	<i>Unregistered Letters Received</i> Unbound unregistered letters received, February–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.	Feb.–July 1868
	HENDERSON (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i> The single volume of letters sent, April–September 1867 and January–July 1868 (110), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.	
	Volume (110)	Apr.–Sept. 1867 and Jan.–July 1868
	<i>Endorsements Sent</i> The single volume of endorsements sent, April 1867–July 1868 (111), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.	
	Volume (111)	Apr. 1867–July 1868
	<i>Register of Letters Received</i> The single-volume register of letters received, April–May 1867 and January–July 1868 (108), is arranged chronologically by date received.	
	Volume (108)	Apr.–May 1867 and Jan.–July 1868
	<i>Letters Received</i> Unbound letters received, February–December 1866, August–October 1867, and January–July 1868, are arranged chronologically. Some of the letters are entered in the register of letters received (108) mentioned above.	
		Feb.–Dec. 1866, Aug.– Oct. 1867, and Jan.– July 1868
	<i>Register of Indentures</i> The single-volume register of indentures, January 1866–February 1868 (113), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The volume also includes comments on the loyalty of certain parties in the area (February–March 1868) that are arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (113)	Jan. 1866–Feb. 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
97 (cont.)	<i>Miscellaneous Records</i> Unbound miscellaneous records, March 1866–July 1868, are arranged by type of record and thereunder chronologically. The series includes monthly statistical reports of operations (March–June 1866); monthly school reports (November 1867–July 1868); monthly reports of persons and articles hired (January 1867–June 1868); muster rolls of a detachment (April and June 1868); complaints (April 1868); and a receipt for money (May 1866).	May 1866–July 1868

HODGINSVILLE (AGENT)

Freedmen's Contracts

The single volume of Freedmen's contracts, January 1866–June 1867 (106), is arranged by year and thereunder numerically. The volume also contains a register of complaints (March–December 1868), which was probably compiled at Louisville, Kentucky.

Volume (106)	Jan. 1866–June 1867 and Mar.–Dec. 1868
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LEBANON (SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, March–July 1868 (117), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (117)	Mar.–July 1868
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Register of Letters Received

The single-volume register of letters received, February–July 1868 (115), is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder chronologically. For letters received, see the unbound letters received, March–June 1868, mentioned below.

Volume (115)	Feb.–July 1868
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Letters Received

Unbound letters received, March–June 1868, are arranged according to their entry in the register of letters received (115) mentioned above.

Mar.–June 1868

Unregistered Letters Received

Unbound unregistered letters received, February–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Feb.–July 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
97	<i>Register of Letters Received Relating to Claims</i>	
(cont.)	The single-volume register of letters received relating to claims, March 1868 and June 1868 (114), is arranged chronologically. The register also contains two endorsements dated June 1868.	
	Volume (114)	Mar. 1868 and June 1868
	<i>Register of Claimants</i>	
	The single-volume register of claimants, May 1866–February 1868 (118), is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname for 1866 and arranged generally in chronological order for 1867 and 1868.	
	Volume (118)	May 1866–Feb. 1868
	<i>Miscellaneous Records</i>	
	Unbound miscellaneous records, February–June 1868, are arranged by type of record. The series includes reports of persons and articles hired (February–June 1868); school reports (February–June 1868); and reports of assaults committed on refugees and freedmen (June 1868).	
		Feb.–June 1868
98	LEBANON (DISBURSING OFFICER)	
	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound letters received, August–December 1871, are arranged chronologically.	
		Aug.–Dec. 1871
	<i>Papers Relating to the Claim of John Spalding and Lists of Claimants</i>	
	Unbound papers relating to the claim of John Spalding and lists of claimants are dated 1871.	
		1871
	LEXINGTON (CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT AND CHIEF SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
	The four volumes of letters sent, February 1866–December 1868, 1 (122), 2 (123), 3 (124), and 4 (125), are arranged chronologically, and volume 1 (122) has a name index.	
	Volume 1 (122)	Feb.–Oct. 1866
	Volume 2 (123)	Oct. 1866–Nov. 1867
99	Volume 3 (124)	Nov. 1867–Sept. 1868
	Volume 4 (125)	Sept.–Dec. 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
100	<i>Endorsements Sent</i> The five volumes of endorsements sent, February 1866–December 1868, 1 (127), 2 (128), 3 (129), 4 (130), and 5 (131), are arranged chronologically. Volume 2 (128) contains a name index to volumes 1 (127) and 2 (128). Volume 1 (127) Volume 2 (128) Volume 3 (129)	 Feb.–Sept. 1866 Sept. 1866–Feb. 1867 Feb.–Oct. 1867
101	Volume 4 (130) Volume 5 (131)	Oct. 1867–June 1868 June–Dec. 1868
	<i>Registers of Letters Received</i> The two volumes of registers of letters received, February 1866–December 1868, 1 (119) and 2 (120), are arranged in chronological order and numbered. There is a name index in volume 1 (119). For letters received, see the letters received, March 1866–December 1868, mentioned below. Volume 1 (119) Volume 2 (120)	 Feb.–Dec. 1866 Dec. 1866–Dec. 1868
102	<i>Letters Received</i> Unbound letters received, March 1866–December 1868, are arranged according to their entry in the registers of letters received, 1 (119) and 2 (120), mentioned above. Mar. 1866–Dec. 1868 <i>Unregistered Letters Received</i> Unbound unregistered letters received, February 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically. Feb.–May 1866	
103	<i>Unregistered Letters</i> (cont.)	June–Dec. 1866
104	<i>Unregistered Letters</i> (cont.)	Jan.–Aug. 1867
105	<i>Unregistered Letters</i> (cont.)	Sept. 1867–Feb. 1868
106	<i>Unregistered Letters</i> (cont.)	Mar.–Dec. 1868
	<i>General Orders Issued</i> The single volume of general orders issued, February–April 1866 (134), is arranged in chronological order and numbered. The volume also contains circulars issued (February 1866–January 1868), arranged by year and thereunder arranged numerically. Volume (134)	 Feb.–Apr. 1866

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
106	<i>Special Orders Issued</i>	
(cont.)	The single volume of special orders issued, March 1866–July 1868 (133), is arranged by year and thereunder numerically.	
	Volume (133)	Mar. 1866–July 1868
107	<i>General Orders, Special Orders, and Circulars Received</i>	
	Unbound general orders, special orders, and circulars received, August 1865–December 1868, are arranged by type of issuance and thereunder chronologically.	
		Aug. 1865–Dec. 1868
	<i>Monthly Reports of Operations</i>	
	Unbound monthly reports of operations, February 1866–October 1868, are arranged chronologically. The series includes reports from subordinate officers and reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.	
		Feb.–Dec. 1866
108	<i>Reports of Operations</i> (cont.)	Jan. 1867–Oct. 1868
109	<i>Monthly School Reports</i>	
	Unbound monthly school reports, May 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically. The series includes reports from subordinate officers and reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.	
		May 1866–Nov. 1868
110	<i>Monthly Reports of Persons and Articles Hired</i>	
	Unbound monthly reports of persons and articles hired, March 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically. The series includes reports from subordinate officers and reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.	
		Mar. 1866–July 1867
111	<i>Reports of Persons . . .</i> (cont.)	Aug. 1867–Nov. 1868
	<i>Reports of Receipts and Expenditures</i>	
	Unbound reports of receipts and expenditures, March 1866–April 1867, are arranged chronologically.	
		Mar. 1866–Apr. 1867
	<i>Miscellaneous Records</i>	
	Unbound miscellaneous records, December 1865–November 1868, are arranged by type of record. The series includes statistical reports of unfortunates (May–June 1866); reports of outrages to freedmen and Unionists (December 1865–November 1866); receipts for money (January 1866–November 1868); yearly return of medical and hospital property (December 1866); and court papers, affidavits, and statements (March 1866–June 1867).	
		Dec. 1865–Nov. 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
112	LEXINGTON (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
	The two volumes of letters sent are dated June 1866–October 1867 and July 1868, 1 (123½) and 2 (126). Volume 1 (123½) covers the period October 1867–July 1868 and is arranged chronologically. Volume 2 (126) covers the period June 1866–September 1867 and is arranged in chronological order and numbered.	
	Volume 1 (123½)	Oct. 1867, Nov. 1867 and July 1868
	Volume 2 (126)	June 1866–Sept. 1867
	<i>Endorsements Sent</i>	
	The single volume of endorsements sent, July 1866–October 1867 (132), is arranged in chronological order and numbered.	
	Volume (132)	July 1866–Oct. 1867
	<i>Register of Letters Received</i>	
	The single-volume register of letters received, July 1866–October 1867 and July 1868 (121), is arranged in chronological order and numbered. For letters received, see the letters received (September 1866–September 1867) mentioned below.	
	Volume (121)	July 1866–Oct. 1867 and July 1868
	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound letters received, September 1866–September 1867, are arranged in chronological order and numbered. The letters are registered in the register of letters received (121) mentioned above.	
		Sept. 1866–Sept. 1867
	<i>Unregistered Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound unregistered letters received, June 1866–October 1867, are arranged chronologically.	
		June 1866–Oct. 1867
	<i>Register of Complaints</i>	
	The single-volume register of complaints, April–September 1866 (135), is arranged generally chronologically.	
	Volume (135)	Apr.–Sept. 1866
113	LOUISVILLE (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)	
	<i>Press Copies of Letters Sent</i>	
	The two volumes of press copies of letters sent, July 1865–October 1867, 1 (139) and 2 (140), are arranged chronologically, and both volumes have name indexes.	
	Volume 1 (139)	July 1865–Aug. 1866

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
114	<i>Press Copies of Letters Sent</i> (cont.) Volume 2 (140)	Aug. 1866-Oct. 1867

Name Index

The single-volume name index (141½) is an index to the single-volume series of letters sent, July–December 1868 (141), mentioned below.

Volume (141½)

Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, July–December 1868 (141), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (141)

July-Dec. 1868

Name Index

The single-volume name index, July–December 1868 (144), is a partial index to the two volumes of endorsements sent, August 1865–December 1868, 1 (142) and 2 (143), mentioned below.

Volume (144)

July-Dec. 1868

Endorsements Sent

The two volumes of endorsements sent, 1 (142) and 2 (143), cover the period August 1865–December 1868. Volume 1 (142) is arranged in chronological order and numbered and has a name index. Volume 2 (143) is arranged chronologically. For a name index to volume 2 (143), see the single-volume name index (144) listed above.

Volume 1 (142)

Aug. 1865–July 1868

Volume 2 (143)

July 1868–Dec. 1868

Name Index

The single-volume name index, July–December 1868 (137½), is a partial index to the two volumes of registers of letters received, July–October 1865 and April 1866–December 1868, mentioned below.

Volume (137½)

July-Dec. 1868

115 *Registers of Letters Received*

The two volumes of registers of letters received, 1 (136) and 2 (137), cover the period July–October 1865 and April 1866–December 1868. Volume 1 (136) is arranged numerically and has a name index. Volume 2 (137) is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder arranged in chronological order and numbered. For a name index to Volume 2 (137), see the single-volume name index (137½) mentioned above; for the letters received, see the unbound letters received, August 1865–October 1868, mentioned below.

Volume 1 (136)

July–October 1865 and

April 1866–July 1868

Volume 2 (137)

July-Dec. 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
115	<i>Letters Received</i>	
(cont.)	Unbound letters received, August 1865–October 1868, are arranged according to their entry in the two volumes of registers of letters received, 1 (136) and 1 (137), mentioned above.	
	1–49	1865
	2–254	1866
116	2–604	Jan.–Dec. 1867
	8–359	Jan.–June 1868
	A2–T5	Aug.–Oct. 1868
117	<i>Unregistered Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound unregistered letters received, July 1865–December 1868, are arranged chronologically.	
		July 1865–Dec. 1867
118	<i>Unregistered Letters</i> (cont.)	Jan.–Dec. 1868
	<i>Special Orders Issued</i>	
	The single volume of special orders issued, April 1866–September 1868 (145), is arranged by year and thereunder numerically.	
	Volume (145)	Apr. 1866–Sept. 1868
	<i>General Orders, Special Orders, and Circulars Received</i>	
	Unbound general orders, special orders and circulars received, July 1865–November 1868, are arranged by type of order and thereunder chronologically.	
		July 1865–Nov. 1868
	<i>Monthly Reports of Operations</i>	
	Unbound monthly reports of operations, March 1866–October 1868, are arranged chronologically. Included are reports from subordinate officers and reports to the Assistant Commissioner.	
		Mar. 1866–Oct. 1868
119	<i>Monthly School Reports</i>	
	Unbound monthly school reports, September 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically.	
		Apr.–June 1866 and Sept. 1866–Nov. 1868
	<i>Monthly Reports of Persons and Articles Hired</i>	
	Unbound monthly reports of persons and articles hired, February 1867–December 1868, are arranged chronologically.	
		Feb. 1867–Dec. 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
119	<i>Monthly Reports of Receipts and Expenditures</i>	
(cont.)	Unbound monthly reports of receipts and expenditures, March 1866–January 1867, are arranged chronologically. The reports are mainly from subordinate officers. Also included are a few reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.	
		Mar. 1866–Jan. 1867
	<i>Registers of Complaints</i>	
	The two volumes of registers of complaints, January 1866–January 1867, 1 (151) and 2 (152), are arranged chronologically. The dates of the volumes overlap. Volume 1 (151) covers the period January–September 1866. Volume 2 (152) covers the period January 1866–January 1867.	
	Volume 1 (151)	Jan.–Sept. 1866
	Volume 2 (152)	Jan. 1866–Jan. 1867
	<i>Proceedings of Freedmen's Court</i> ("Minutes of Daily Proceedings")	
	The single volume of proceedings of Freedmen's Court ("Minutes of Daily Proceedings") is dated January–November 1867 (153), and is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (153)	Jan.–Nov. 1867
	<i>Affidavits and Records Relating to Complaints</i>	
	Unbound affidavits and records relating to complaints, September 1863 and 1865–67, are arranged by initial letter of the surname of the complainant.	
	A–B	1865–1867
120	C–S	1863 and 1866–1867
121	T–Y	1866–1867
	<i>Warrants Issued in Response to Freedmen's Complaints</i>	
	Unbound warrants issued in response to freedmen's complaints cover the period January–December 1866. Those covering the period January–December 1866 are arranged by initial letter of the surname. Warrants covering the period January–September 1866 are arranged numerically.	
	A–Y	Jan.–Dec. 1866
122	1–556	Jan.–Sept. 1866
123	<i>Freedmen's Contracts</i>	
	The single volume of Freedmen's contracts, January 1866–July 1867 (150), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (150)	Jan. 1866–July 1867

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
123	<i>Indentures</i>	
(cont.)	The single volume of indentures, January 1866–November 1867 and April–August 1866 (149), is arranged chronologically. The volume also contains special orders received, April–August 1866, that are arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (149)	Jan. 1866–Nov. 1867 and Apr.–Aug. 1866
	<i>Register of Applications Forwarded for Bounty Claims</i>	
	The single volume of applications forwarded for bounty claims, May 1866–June 1868 (147), is arranged chronologically and numbered.	
	Volume (147)	May 1866–June 1868
	<i>Register of Claimants for Bounties</i>	
	The single-volume register of claimants for bounties, August–December 1868 (148), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (148)	Aug.–Dec. 1868
	<i>Station Book of Officers in the Louisville Subdistrict</i>	
	The single-volume station book of officers in the Louisville subdistrict is undated and not arranged. The volume has a name index.	
	Volume (146)	No date
	<i>Miscellaneous Records</i>	
	Unbound miscellaneous records cover the period October 1865–October 1868 and are arranged by record type. The records include money receipts (June 1866–September 1868); affidavits and declarations (January 1866); bonds relating to freedmen (October 1865–May 1866); a promissory note (October 1868); a table of unfortunates among freedmen (September 1867); and reports of outrages and murders (December 1865–October 1866). Also included is a memorandum of condition of affairs in Lexington and central subdistricts of Kentucky (May 1866); a list of persons discharged from freedmen and refugee hospitals (July 1868); an opinion of the Board relating to clothing deficiencies in the return of the assistant surgeon (February 1867); and a list of persons refusing to pay taxes for the hospital (April 1866).	
		Oct. 1865–Oct. 1868
	MAYSVILLE (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER, MASON COUNTY)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
	The two volumes of letters sent, May 1866–July 1868, 1 (157) and 2 (158), are arranged chronologically. Following the letters in volume 1 (157) are circulars and special orders (January 1867–May 1868) that are arranged chronologically.	
	Volume 1 (157)	May–Dec. 1866
	Volume 2 (158)	Jan. 1867–July 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
123	<i>Registers of Letters Received</i>	
(cont.)	The three volumes of registers of letters received, 1 (154), 2 (155), and 3 (156), cover the period July 1866–July 1868. The volumes also include endorsements sent. Volumes 1 (154) and 2 (155) are arranged chronologically by date received. Volume 3 (156) is arranged in chronological order by the date received and numbered. The volumes have overlapping dates. Volume 2 (155) also contains a register of bounty claims, August–September (no year), that is arranged by the month the claim was forwarded. The volume also contains a register of “widows claims,” November 1866, that are arranged by the date the claim was forwarded.	
	Volume 1 (154)	July 1866–May 1867
	Volume 2 (155)	May–Dec. 1867
	Volume 3 (156)	Jan. 1867–July 1868
124	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound letters received, March 1866–December 1867, are arranged chronologically. Some of the letters are entered in the registers of letters received mentioned above, but most are not.	
		Mar. 1866–Dec. 1867
	<i>General Orders, Special Orders, and Circulars Received</i>	
	Unbound general orders, special orders, and circulars received, February 1866–December 1867, are arranged by type of order and thereunder chronologically.	
		Feb. 1866–Dec. 1867
	<i>Monthly Reports of Persons and Articles Hired</i>	
	Unbound monthly reports of persons and articles hired, May 1866–April 1868, are arranged chronologically.	
		May 1866–Apr. 1868
	<i>Monthly School Reports</i>	
	Unbound monthly school reports, July 1866–April 1868, are arranged chronologically.	
		July 1866–Apr. 1868
	<i>Monthly Returns of Quartermaster's Stores Received and Issued</i>	
	Unbound monthly returns of quartermaster's stores received and issued, June 1866–March 1868, are arranged chronologically.	
		June 1866–Mar. 1868
	<i>Register of Complaints</i>	
	The single-volume register of complaints, May 1866–May 1867 (160), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (160)	May 1866–May 1867

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
124	<i>Register of Claimants</i>	
(cont.)	The single-volume register of claimants, September 1866–July 1868 (159), is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the claimant. The register gives the name and address of the claimant, whether he was “loyal” or “disloyal,” and the date of the report proving his loyalty. Claimants are white citizens.	
	Volume (159)	Sept. 1866–July 1868
125	<i>Monthly Returns of Receipts and Expenditures</i>	
	Unbound monthly returns of receipts and expenditures, March 1866–March 1867, are arranged chronologically.	
		Mar. 1866–Mar. 1867
	<i>Miscellaneous Records</i>	
	Unbound miscellaneous records, June 1866–March 1868, are arranged by type of record. The records include receipt rolls of clothing issued (February–March 1868); reports of accounts current (June 1866–February 1867); a list of stores received from the quartermaster (January 1868); and a list of unfortunates among the freedmen (May 1867).	
		June 1866–Mar. 1868
	MT. STERLING (SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
	The three volumes of letters sent, June 1866–July 1868, 1 (161), 2 (162), and 3 (163), are arranged chronologically. The volumes have overlapping dates.	
	Volume 1 (161)	June–July 1866 and June 1866–Apr. 1868
	Volume 2 (162)	June 1866–Mar. 1867
	Volume 3 (163)	Apr. 1867–July 1868
	<i>Register of Contracts</i>	
	The single-volume register of contracts, January–July 1866 (166), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.	
	Volume (166)	Jan.–July 1866
	<i>Marriage Certificates</i>	
	The two volumes of marriage certificates, 1 (164) and 2 (165), are dated 1866. Volume 1 (164) covers the period February–April 1866, is arranged chronologically, and has a name index. The certificates in Volume 2 (165) are not notated with specific dates, and are unarranged. The volume also includes a divorce certificate (October 1866) and a register of marriages dated October 1866–May (no date) that is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume 1 (164)	Feb.–Apr. 1866
	Volume 2 (165)	1866

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
125	<i>Monthly Returns of Quartermaster's Stores Received and Issued</i>	
(cont.)	Unbound monthly returns of quartermaster's stores received and issued, June 1866-June 1868, are arranged chronologically.	
		June 1866-June 1868
	<i>Freedmen's Contracts</i>	
	The single volume of freedmen's contracts (167) is dated January 1867.	
	Volume (167)	Jan. 1867
	NICHOLASVILLE (AGENT)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
	The single volume of letters sent, November 1866-October 1867 (168), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (168)	Nov. 1866-Oct. 1867
	<i>Unregistered Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound unregistered letters received, April 1866-July 1867, are arranged chronologically.	
		Apr. 1866-July 1867
126	<i>Special Orders and Circulars Received</i>	
	Unbound special orders and circulars received, March 1866-June 1867, are arranged by type of order and thereunder arranged chronologically and numbered.	
		Mar. 1866-June 1867
	<i>Monthly Statistical Reports of Operations</i>	
	Unbound monthly statistical reports of operations, May 1866-October 1867, are arranged chronologically.	
		May 1866-Oct. 1867
	<i>Monthly School Reports</i>	
	Unbound monthly school reports, January-November 1867 are arranged chronologically.	
		Jan.-Nov. 1867
	<i>List of Claimants</i>	
	The single-volume list of claimants (169) is not dated and is arranged by type of list. The volume also contains loose copies of indentures (September-October 1865, May-June 1866, and February and May 1867) that are not arranged.	
	Volume (169)	No dates

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ROLL DESCRIPTION

DATES

126 *Miscellaneous Records*

(cont.) Unbound miscellaneous records, April 1866–April 1867, are arranged by type of record. The records include cases tried (April–November 1866); receipts and expenditures (July and December 1866); monthly return of quartermaster's stores (June 1866); and an affidavit (April 1867).

Apr. 1866–Apr. 1867

OWENSBORO (SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

Press Copies of Letters Sent

The single volume of press copies of letters sent, October 1866–May 1868 (172), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (172)

Oct. 1866–May 1868

127 *Letters Sent*

The single volume of letters sent, April 1867–July 1868 (173), is arranged chronologically and has a name index..

Volume (173)

Apr. 1867–July 1868

Endorsements Sent

The single volume of endorsements sent, April 1867–July 1868 (174), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (174)

Apr. 1867–July 1868

Register of Letters Received

The single-volume register of letters received, January 1867–June 1868 (170), is arranged chronologically. For a register of letters received at Owensboro dated June–July 1868, see the single-volume register of letters sent and received, January–July 1867 (80), by the subassistant commissioner for Brandenburg.

Volume (170)

Jan. 1867–June 1868

Letters Received

Unbound letters received, January 1867–May 1868, are arranged in chronological order by date received and numbered. The letters are entered in the register of letters received (170) mentioned above.

Jan. 1867–May 1868

Register of Letters Received by Endorsement

The single-volume register of letters received by endorsement, April 1867–July 1868 (171), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (171)

Apr. 1867–July 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
127	<i>Unregistered Letters Received</i>	
(cont.)	Unbound unregistered letters received, May 1866–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.	May 1866–July 1868
128	<i>Marriage Certificates Issued</i>	
	Unbound marriage certificates issued, June 1866–August 1868, are arranged by year and thereunder by initial letter of the surname of the family.	June 1866–Aug. 1868
	<i>Miscellaneous Records</i>	
	Unbound miscellaneous records, October 1865–July 1868, are arranged by type of record. The records include affidavits (October 1865 and January 1868), and monthly reports of persons and articles hired (March–July 1868).	Oct. 1865–July 1868
	PADUCAH (CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT AND CHIEF SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
	The three volumes of letters sent, April 1866–December 1868, 1 (176), 2 (177), and 3 (178), are arranged chronologically, and each volume has a name index. Volume 3 (178) also includes letters sent (September–December 1868) by V. H. Echorn, superintendent of schools of the Western District, which are interfiled with other letters in the volume.	
	Volume 1 (176)	Apr. 1866–Jan. 1868
	Volume 2 (177)	Jan. 1868–Aug. 1868
	Volume 3 (178)	Sept.–Dec. 1868
	<i>Endorsements Sent and Received</i>	
	The single volume of endorsements sent and received, April 1866–November 1868 (180), is arranged by endorsements sent and endorsements received and thereunder chronologically. The volume has a name index.	
	Volume (180)	Apr. 1866–Nov. 1868
	<i>Register of Letters Received</i>	
	The single-volume register of letters received, April 1866–December 1868 (175), is arranged in chronological order by the date it was received and numbered. The volume has a name index.	
	Volume (175)	Apr. 1866–Dec. 1868

NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION
M I C R O F I L M P U B L I C A T I O N S

ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
129	<i>Letters Received</i> Unbound letters received, April 1866–December 1868, are arranged in chronological order and numbered. The letters are registered in the single-volume register of letters received (175) mentioned above.	Apr. 1866–Dec. 1868
130	<i>Unregistered Letters Received</i> Unbound unregistered letters received, April 1866–October 1868, are arranged chronologically.	Apr. 1866–Oct. 1868
	<i>General Orders, Special Orders, and Circulars Issued</i> The single volume of orders, special orders, and circulars issued, April 1866–November 1868 (182), is arranged by type of issuance, thereunder by year, and thereunder numerically. The volume does not include all types of issuances for all time periods.	
	Volume (182)	Apr. 1866–Nov. 1868
	<i>General Orders, Special Orders, and Circulars Received</i> Unbound general orders, special orders, and circulars received, April 1866–December 1868, are arranged by type of document and thereunder chronologically.	
		Apr. 1866–Dec. 1868
	<i>Monthly Reports of Operations</i> Unbound monthly reports of operations, April 1866–April 1867, are arranged chronologically.	
		Apr. 1866–Apr. 1867
131	<i>Monthly Reports of Operations Received from Subordinate Offices</i> Unbound monthly reports of operations received from subordinate offices, March 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically.	
		Mar. 1866–Nov. 1868
	<i>Monthly School Reports</i> Unbound monthly school reports, April 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically. These are reports from subordinate officers and reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.	
		Apr. 1866–Nov. 1868
	<i>Monthly Reports Received from Subordinate Offices of Persons and Articles Hired</i> Unbound monthly reports received from subordinate offices of persons and articles hired, April 1866–November 1868, are arranged chronologically. Reports to the Assistant Commissioner (September 1866–April 1867) are at the end of the series.	
		Apr. 1866–Nov. 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
131	<i>Returns of Stores Received and Issued</i>	
(cont.)	Unbound returns of stores received and issued, June–December 1866, are arranged chronologically. The returns included those from subordinate offices and those sent to the Assistant Commissioner.	June–Dec. 1866
132	<i>Monthly Reports of Receipts and Expenditures</i>	
	Unbound monthly reports of receipts and expenditures, May 1866–February 1867, are arranged chronologically. The series includes monthly reports from subordinate offices and reports sent to the Assistant Commissioner.	May 1866–Feb. 1867
	<i>Complaints, Affidavits, and Evidence Relating to Court Cases</i>	
	Unbound complaints, affidavits, and evidence relating to court cases, April–December 1866, are arranged by type of record.	Apr.–Dec. 1866
	<i>Miscellaneous Records</i>	
	Unbound miscellaneous records, April 1866–July 1867, are arranged by document type. They include estimates for buildings (April–July 1866); a report of persons murdered or maltreated relating to freedmen (December 1865–October 1866); and tables showing the number of unfortunates among freedmen (April 1866–July 1867). The records also contain marriage certificates issued and a list of marriages as recorded in Paducah (April 1866); vouchers issued relating to services performed for the Bureau (April 1866); and abstracts of articles purchased and expended (April 1866).	Apr. 1866–July 1867
	PADUCAH (SUPERINTENDENT, CHIEF AGENT, AND SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER, MCCrackEN COUNTY)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
	The single volume of letters sent, April 1866–July 1868 (179), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.	
	Volume (179)	Apr. 1866–July 1868
	<i>Register of Letters Received and Endorsements Sent</i>	
	The single-volume register of letters received, February–May 1867, and endorsements sent, December 1866–January 1867 (181), is arranged by type of record and thereunder chronologically. The volume also includes a register of civil cases tried at the freedmen's court at Paducah (September 1865–May 1866).	
	Volume (181)	Feb.–May 1867 and Dec. 1866–Jan. 1867
	<i>Unregistered Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound unregistered letters received, August 1865–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.	Aug. 1865–July 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
132	<i>Circulars and Orders Received</i>	
(cont.)	Unbound circulars and orders received, July 1865–March 1866, are arranged chronologically.	July 1865–Mar. 1866
	<i>Register of Contracts with Freedmen at Paducah</i>	
	The single-volume register of contracts with freedmen at Paducah, September 1865–January 1868 (183), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (183)	Sept. 1865–Jan. 1868
	<i>Register of Complaints</i>	
	The single-volume register of complaints, September 1865–October 1868 (184), is arranged in general chronological order.	
	Volume (184)	Sept. 1865–Oct. 1868
	<i>Abstracts of Rations Received and Issued</i>	
	Unbound abstracts of rations received and issued, February–August 1867, are arranged chronologically.	
		Feb.–Aug. 1867
133	PADUCAH (SUPERINTENDENT—SEE COLUMBUS)	
	PARIS (AGENT)	
	<i>Freedmen's Contracts</i>	
	The single volume of freedmen's contracts, March–July 1866 (185), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (185)	Mar.–July 1866
	RUSSELLVILLE (SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
	The single volume of letters sent, March–June 1868 (187), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.	
	Volume (187)	Mar.–June 1868
	<i>Register of Letters Received</i>	
	The single-volume register of letters received, March–May 1868 (186), is arranged in chronological order by the date received and numbered. The volume has a name index.	
	Volume (186)	Mar.–May 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
133 (cont.)	<i>Registered Letters Received</i> Unbound registered letters received February-May 1868, are arranged in chronological order and numbered. The letters are registered in the register of letters received (186) mentioned above.	Feb.-May 1868
	<i>Unregistered Letters Received</i> Unbound unregistered letters received, October 1867-June 1868, are arranged chronologically.	Oct. 1867-June 1868
	<i>Complaints</i> The single-volume register of complaints, August-September 1866 (188), is arranged in two subseries and thereunder chronologically.	
	Volume (188)	Aug.-Sept. 1866
	<i>Miscellaneous Records</i> Unbound miscellaneous records, August 1866 and March-May 1868, are arranged by type of record. The records include reports of schools (March-May 1868); a monthly report of persons and articles hired (March 1868); a monthly report of operations (March 1868); and affidavits (August 1866 and May 1868).	
		Aug. 1866 and Mar.-May 1868
	SMITHLAND (AGENT) <i>Register of Letters Received</i> The single-volume register of letters received, ca. March 1866-June 1867 (191), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The volume also contains letters sent and received (March 1866-June 1867), arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (191)	Mar. 1866-June 1867
	STANFORD (AGENT) <i>Letters Sent and Received</i> The single volume of letters sent and received, March-November 1867 (189), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.	
	Volume (189)	Mar.-Nov. 1867
	<i>Letters Received</i> The single volume of letters received, November 1866-October 1867 (190), is arranged chronologically and has a name index. The series also includes orders received.	
	Volume (190)	Nov. 1866-Oct. 1867

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133 VERSAILLES (AGENT)
(cont.)

Letters Received

Unbound letters received, August 1866–November 1867, are arranged chronologically.

Aug. 1866–Nov. 1867

Miscellaneous Records

Unbound miscellaneous records, August 1866–October 1867, are arranged by type of record. The records include reports of operations (January–October 1867); school reports of the district superintendent (February–September 1867); and reports of persons and articles hired (August 1866–September 1867).

Aug. 1866–Oct. 1867

WINCHESTER (SUPERINTENDENT)

Register of Letters Received

The single-volume register of letters received, June 1866–January 1867 (192), is arranged chronologically by date received.

Volume (192)

June 1866–Jan. 1867

Marriage Certificates

The single volume of marriage certificates, February–September 1866 (193), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.

Volume (193)

Feb.–Sept. 1866

Contracts

The single volume of contracts, January–June 1866 (194), is arranged in general chronological order. There are also some loose contracts in the volume. The volume also contains bounty requests (February–April 1866) arranged chronologically.

Volume (194)

Jan.–June 1866

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RECORDS OF THE FIELD OFFICES FOR THE STATE OF
KENTUCKY, BUREAU OF REFUGEES, FREEDMEN, AND
ABANDONED LANDS, 1865-1872

ROLL 129

SUBORDINATE FIELD OFFICES
PADUCAH (CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT AND CHIEF SUBASSISTANT COMMISSIONER)

Letters Received

Apr. 1866-Dec. 1868

J. F. [Signature]
1st Lieut 4th Reg. Suppl. H. Co. 1st

*Forwards statement of W. H. Boydell
in relation to his sister and ask
that she may be restored to him
their parents being dead*

J. F. [Signature]
1st Lieut 4th Reg. Suppl. H. Co. 1st

*Forwards statement of W. H. Boydell
in relation to his sister and ask
that she may be restored to him
their parents being dead*

Recd April 23 1866

Bureau R. F. & A. I.,

OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT, McLean Ken. Co., Ky

Paducah, Ky., April 13th 1866.

Major J. H. Donovan
Chief Supt. N. W. Dist. Ky
Major

I have the honor to forward the
Statement of W. H. Boyd (col) in relation to his sister Ann
C. Boyd (col) aged about (12) twelve years, he states that she
is held in custody by Mr. John Boyd (White) residing near
Grayfield Graves Co. Ky, and that he went this morning
and demanded his sister from Mr. J. Boyd, and he refused
to give her up saying "That she was bound to him until
she was twenty years of age" W. H. Boyd (col) her Brother asks
that she may be given to him to raise and educate as their
parents are dead. I respectfully submit this for your
action

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your obedient Servant
John H. Smith.
1st Lieut 14th Regt. I. R. C. and Superintendent
McLean Ken. Co. Ky

Bureau R. I. and A. L.
Office Supt. M. Cracken Co. Ky.
Francis M. Smith

J. F. Smith.
1st Lieut. 14th H. Co. Supt. M. Cracken Co. Ky.

Forward statement of Daniel
Vaughn (col) asking that his wife
and children be restored to him

Rec^d April 13th 1866

Bureau R. F. & A. L.

OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT, Mc Cracken Co.

Paducah, Ky., April 13th 1866.

Major A. H. Donovano
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub Dist. Ky
Major

I have the honor to forward the
Statement of David Vaughn (Col) who is now engaged on the
farm of M^{rs} Chas. Rollins Ballard Co. Ky. he states that Mr. Gus
Northington holds and keeps possession of his wife Penny and
two children and has refused to give them up repeatedly
the said Northington has also refused when applied to for them
by Messrs. Rollins and Dudley (White) and he says that he is
unable to get them. he now prays that the said Northington
be required to give them up and asks that the proper steps
be taken to restore them to him as the aforesaid Northington
has threatened to shoot him if he comes there to claim his
wife and children, and has also said that he was going
to send them to Louisville to their former owners and he
asks that he may be prevented from so doing

I am Sir

Very Respectfully Comd. Chas. Supt.

John. F. Smith

1st Dist 14th Regt. Ill. Co. D. Superintendent Mc Cracken Co. Ky.

Wm. James F. 13
Leitch 13th 7th Mc and
Capt for Counties of
Hickman Ballard
or Fulton
April 10th 1866

acknowledging the
receipt of circular
No 2. In relation to
his monthly reports
over

Recd April 13th 1866

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands
Superintendent's Office

Columbus, Ky, Apr. 10th 1866

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Circular Order No. 2 Dated Bureau R. F. & A. L. Head Quarters North Western Sub District, Kentucky, Paducah, Ky. Apr. 7th 1866, together with the accompanying Letter, Circular and Orders And would respectfully ask some questions for information and instruction, According to Circular No. 8. Dated Bureau R. F. & A. L. States of Kentucky and Tennessee, Assistant Commissioner's Office, Nashville Tenn. March 17th 1866, Superintendents and Agents are required to make their reports direct to the office of Bt. Brig. Genl. Ely, Chief Superintendent Sub. District Kentucky, Louisville Ky. Now is it required that Superintendents, and Agents should make monthly reports both to your office and to Genl. Ely's. I was on duty here but about a week in March but I made what little report I had to make direct to Genl. Ely. Are revenue stamps required on the duplicates, triplicates, and quadruplicates of Contracts and Indentures, as I understand it now a stamp is required only on one

copy of the contract and that for the employer I wish
to know whether I am right or not. There has been some
trouble here with regard to fire arms. Shall I be govern-
ed by any state law that deprives the Freedmen of any
privileges that the whites enjoy, I find but a little
sympathy here for the Freedmen. I have called the
Freedmen together a number of times since I have
been here and addressed them showing them what
is expected of them, and the right course for them to
pursue. I am organizing a relief association among
them. Any instruction, information or advice
will be very gratefully received;

Very respectfully
Yr obdt. servt.
James F. Bolton
2nd Lieut. 13th V. R. C.

John K. Donovan
Major 19th V. R. C.
Chief Supt. North Western Sub. District Ky.
Paducah Ky.

and Supt. Bureau R. F. & A. L.
For Hickman and Ballard Co's.
Ky.

Burnett Coly. John
Levi F. 4

Lieut. VRL and A. A. H.
Louisville April 10th 1866

In relation to enclosed
letter of ^{Dr. J.} Swartzwelder
chief surgeon B. R. T. & L.
for States Kentucky & Tenn.
also enclosing list of
Counties comprised in
W. W. Sub Dist with list
of Supt. for same

Recd. Ad. Os. W. W. Sub Dist
by - April 13th 1866

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands,

Head-Quarters, Sub District of Kentucky

Louisville, Ky., April 10th 1866.

Major J. H. Donovan V. R. C.
Superintendent North Western Sub. Dist. of Kentucky,
Paducah, Ky.

Major,

I am directed by Bt Brig Genl. John C. Chief Superintendent Sub. Dist. of Ky. to transmit herewith, printed letter from Dr. A. C. Smartz, Chief Surgeon B. R. F. & A. States of Ky & Tenn., dated Nashville, Tenn., April 6. 1866, relative to the number of destitute Refugees, & Freedmen, in your Sub. Dist. who are deaf, blind, or dumb, and to direct you to cause reports to be made promptly to your Office by the Superintendents, &c, in your Sub. Dist.

Upon receipt of these reports you will at once consolidate and forward them to these H^d Quarters.

I enclose copies for distribution to your subordinates, and also a list of the counties comprised in the sub. Dist. under your command, and a list of the Agents, so far as they have been appointed.

I am, Very Respectfully, over

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John J. Buchanan

Your Obedient Servant
 Levi F. Burnett
 L. F. B. & Co.

(9. Encls)

Burnett & Co. John per
Levi F. 5

Levi & A. A. A. Co.
Louisville Ky
April 11th 1866

Acknowledging receipt
of letter dated April the
7th and in relation to
List of County Supts - of
the recommending of
persons for said appoint-
ments - Order approved
placing Dr Smith on duty
of troops to be sent to this
place &c &c

Recd. Wagon NW at Dist
Ky April 14th 1866

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands,

Head-Quarters, Sub District of Kentucky

Louisville, Ky... April 11th 1866.

Maj John H. Donoran & Co.
Chief Supt. & North Western Sub-Dist
Paducah Ky.

Major,

I am directed by Brig Genl John B. Chief Supt. & Sub-Dist Ky to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated April 7th 1866.

A List (which is believed to be correct) of the Counties, and the names of the Supts appointed for them by Brig Maj Genl B. B. Fisk Dist Comr & Ky & Tenn was forwarded to you yesterday.

If suitable persons can be obtained for Supts of these Counties where there are none at present, they will be appointed by this Office, upon your recommendation.

An order from these Head Quarters approving your action in assigning 1st Lieut John E. Smith 14 & B. L. to duty as Supt. for Mcracken County is herewith enclosed.

Application has been made to the Dist Comr & States of Ky & Tenn for troops for duty in this Bureau for the Sub-Dist of Ky, and a sufficient number will be ordered to report to you for duty in your Sub-Dist as soon as they can be obtained, but at present there are no troops which can be sent to you.

General Order No 1 dated April 5 1866. Circular No 1 dated April 5/66

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and Circular No 2, dated April 7th 1866, issued from your Head Qrs are hereby approved.

The bounties named in General Order No 1 from your Head Qrs of April 5th 1866 as comprising your Sub-Dist are correct.

No General Orders are now allowed to be issued in this Bureau, circulars will take the place of Genl Orders, but Special Orders can be issued when necessary.

Before issuing circulars, a copy should be forwarded to this Office for approval.

I am, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Levi F. Burnett,

Lieut & R. by A. A. A. Genl.

Tunbar

James L.

6.

April 13th 1866

Relating to his children of
Aaron Jones (Colored), held
by him

Rec^d April 16th

R. Boon

R. D. Mayes

BOON & MAYES,

Attorneys at Law & General Collecting Agents

Mayfield, Ky., Sept 13th 1866

Maj Geo W Donovan

Dear Sir

I have

This moment received a
 Communication from your
 office stating that I ~~was~~^{am} holding
 in servitude six persons. Children
 of Aaron Jones & Co. and requiring
 me to appear at your head
 quarters on the 14th inst. To make
 suitable arrangements with the
 father of said children, I am
 at present wholly unable to
 come to Paducah on account
 of bad health, and am only
 from home today to seek medi-
 cal advice. It is true I have
 at my home six colored persons

names have raised. aged
respectively. 16. 12. 10. 9. 6 & 2
years. And on account of their
age, are not in a condition to
make for themselves more than
a support if that, I do not
hold them as slaves, but they
are simply living at my house
and those of them who are
able are laboring for me. And
for their labor I of course can
not afford to do more than
support them, which I am
willing to do. And as the
Legislature of the State has
authorized the County Courts
of the State in each County
to Apprehend minor children
giving to the former owner
the preference if he be a
suitable man, I had intended
to apply to the Court for such
proceedings as would secure

the result, hoping them to
make the arrangement which
would result in our mutual
benefit. It is true, Sir, that these
children are colored and I have
held them as slaves until they
were made free by law, but I
have kind feelings towards these
children and I think they have
for me, and I would be glad
to keep them if I can do so on
fair terms, but if you are
not willing that I shall take
the course indicated, and
require that I shall pay them
hire. I, of course, can only serve
under them up. I have no
disposition to evade or violate
any law or Military regulation,
and therefore respectfully ask
to be excused from coming to
Paducah, because I am
unable to do so with safety to

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to my health. I shall be
glad to hear whether or no
I am allowed under your
regulations to proceed as
directed by the laws of
the state.

Very Respectfully

Jas. D. Dunbar

P.S. Please direct any com-
munications which you may
wish to send me to A. C. Brown
at this place who will forward
it to me at my home.

J. D. D.

We state that we are well
acquainted with Mr Jas D
Dunbar and have seen him
to day. He is in very feeble
health and afflicted with
rheumatism - he is a very
old man say 65 years of age

Resd apud B. Respectfully A. C. Brown

April 14th 1866

Thompson.
~~Thompson~~ Bond

Relating to Freedmen with
 "Small Po" being put on shore
 in his Dist.

Recd April 16th

Smithland Ky. Apr. 14. 1866

Major John H. Donovan

Dear Sir:- A Steamer
has put off here two destitute Freedmen
who were badly broken out with small-pox
at the time they were landed. We have
here no pest-house nor hospital

Will you grant me power and
authority to arrest and fine the Capt
of the steamer. If so please sign
officially, the enclosed grant of power.
I would have sent this by Kellogg
but our wire is down and will not
pass a message. I most respectfully
request an immediate answer to this
so that, if granted the authority, I
may arrest the offender on his return
trip from Nashville.

With much respect and esteem

I remain your Obedt. Servt.

In haste

J. Bond Thompson
Supt. H. I. for Livingston Co. Ky.

Head Quarters Bureau R. I.
 and A. S. Sub. District N. W. Ky.
 Paducah Ky. April 1866.

J. Bond Thompson is hereby granted
authority and power from these H. Q.
 to arrest and bring to trial
 before his Court the Captain of the
 Steamer J. P. Webb charged with leaving
 Freedmen with small pox, Contrary to
 law, at the town of Smithland
 Livingston County Ky.

P. S. In trying offenders before this Court must,
 or may I allow them to employ Attorneys to
 defend them. - please answer. J. B. I.

Bureau R. F. and
 A. S. Hdb. Gps. Sub Dist.
 of Ky
 Louisville Ky 14th
 April 1866

Letter of appoint-
 -ment and instructions
 to Doct. W. B. Noel as
 Supt. B. R. F. & A. S. for
 the County of Lyon
 Ky, Wm. John.

Copy
 J

Rec^d April 18th 1866

Appointed

Copy

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN AND ABANDONED LANDS,

HEAD-QUARTERS, NORTH-WESTERN SUB-DISTRICT KY.

Covington Paducah, Ky., Apr 14th 1866.

Doctor W. C. Noel.

Madisonville Hopkins Co Ky.

Sir:

I am directed by Bort. Brig Genl. John Ely Chief Supt Sub Dist Ky. to forward to you herewith your appointment as Supt for the County of Lyon Ky. and to inform you that the County of Caldwell could not be included in your District as S. B. Tyler has been appointed Supt. for that County.

You are directed to report by letter to Major John H. Donovon VRC Chief Supt. North Western Sub District Head qrs at Paducah Ky. for instructions.

Enclosed is a copy of the manual for use of Supts Bureau Refugees Freedmen and abandoned Lands,

O am Sir

Very respectfully

Your obt. servt.

Levi. F. Burnett

Sicut A.R.C. and a.a.g.

Torian

George L.

Leading April 13th 1866

Don relation to his res-
ignation as Just. Affairs
B.R. & S. for Trigg County

Recd. Del. Quis. W. W. Sub. Dick. Ky
April 20th 1866

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Cádiz April 13th 1866

Mr. J. H. Donovan
D. Sir

Your
favour is to hand by which it
appears, that you have not, been
informed of my resignation
which was forwarded to Gen.
Hicks headquarters I think on
~~February~~ The 24th, you will
please take notice and
govern your self accordingly
-ly

Yours Respectfully
Geo. L. Jordan

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Burnett ^{to} John.
Levi F.

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Lieut M. B. or Actly
1866
Louisville Apr 19th

An relation to Counties
comprising N. W. Sub Dist.
Genl. Orders to 1 dated at
These Hd qrs April 3rd 1866
correct. An relation to
Seta chmt. 2^d 2^d Dec

Recd at Hd qrs N. W. Sub
District Ky April 21st 1866

Head-Quarters, Sub District of Kentucky

Maj' J. H. Donovan O.R.C.

Radical Rep,

Map,

The Counties named in Genl Order No 1, from your A^d Genl dated April 5, 1866, are correct, The County of Crittenden is not embraced in your Sub Dist

Your telegram of yesterday relative to an attack on the colored schools, has been received. I replied to day by telegraph, that twelve (12) men have been sent there for duty. You are authorized to call on them for such military assistance as you may require.

Sam Mayr.

Very respectfully

Yours Obedt. Servant

Levi F. Burnett.

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Quinnell, Ely John
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Sicut, M. B. & A. J. G.

April 19th 1866

Acknowledging receipt
of letter 13th inst. in rela-
tion to blank forms

Rec^d April 21st 1866

Rec^d April 21st

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands,

Head-Quarters, Sub District of Kentucky

Louisville, Ky., April 19th 1866.

Maj J. N. Donnan O.R.L.
Chief Supt. &c
Paducah Ky.

Major; By direction of Port Brig Genl
John Ely Chief Supt. I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of April 18th 1866, and in
reply to state that application has been made to
Port Maj Genl, G. B. Fisk, for the printed forms referred
to in your communication; when they arrive a
supply will be forwarded to you,

I am Major

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

Levi F. Burnett.

Lt. H.Q., &c &c

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Starks J. d.
Supt for Calumet Co.
April 17 1866

In relation to his report
for the month of March
also as to whether his
office of U.S. inspector
interferes with his of-
ficial duties in this
Branch

Recd apr 24.

Recd April 24 1866.

Murray Ky
April 17th 1866
Major John H. Donovan
Chief Supt B&O & A.L.
Paducah Ky

Sir

I received yours of the 9th
last this morning asking
for my report of March
paid on the 16th of this
month was when I first
opened my office. My reason
for not opening was that
I had never received my
appointment nor nothing
ordering me on duty
which I have been waiting

on for some times at
last concluded to commence
work. Supposing that it
was not necessary for me
to have these things, and
further I had never received
any blanks nor no instructions
until I received
them from you a few
days since hoping to
hear from you soon

I am yours with
Respect
Ed. C. Starbuck
Supt for Calloway

P.S.
Major I hold the office
of US Inspector will this
office interfere with what
you do

Read Apr 24/74

Murray Ky
April 10th 1864

Major Donnan
Chief Supt B R G & A C
Paducah Ky
Sir

This morning I open out
my office and proceed
with business. Major send
me a copy of the law in
full and a copy of
the necessary contracts
so as I will surely be right
the People generally take it
very hard as the majority
a Rebels in my county
they do not like to have
a Bureau established here
though I think they

will let better satisfied
on the subject soon

hoping to hear from you
soon I Remain your most

Obt Servt

E. C. Starke

Supt for Calloway Co

Recd Apr 26 1866

Burnett J. J. John
Lieut 15
Lieut W. R. A. A. G.
Louisville Ky
Apr 23^d 1866

In relation to Genl. Palmer
refusing to permit a
detachment 2^d U. S. I.
to remain at Paducah
Recd Hdqrs W. Sub Dist
April 25th 1866

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands,

Head-Quarters, Sub District of Kentucky

Louisville, Ky.. April 23^d 1866.

Major John H. Donovan
Chief Supt &c
Paducah Ky.

Major,

I am directed by Brig Gen John B. Chief Supt &c Sub-Dist
Ky to inform you that your telegram of April 20th 1866 relative to
retaining at Paducah, the detachment of men belonging to the
2^d U. S. Inf, was referred to Maj Gen J. M. Palmer Comd^g Dept of Ky,
and has been returned by him with the information that it
is not deemed expedient to leave said troops at Paducah.

I am Major,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Levi F. Burnett.

Lieut V. R. b. as A. A. A. Genl.

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Starks
Colonel C

Murray Ky April 24th 1866

Under resignation of
his appointment as Supt.
of Gallowsay County

Recd. Amos 1866

Murray Gallowsay Ky

April 24th 1866

Major John H. Donnan
Chief Supt. B.R. & J.H.
Paducah Ky

Major

I suppose that you
have received my letter in
regard to the people being
dissatisfied in our county
Major they are growing worse
I see that it is impossible
for me to please them
or any other man unless
he be a worst class Rebel
and would not give the
freed men justice and
now Major I ask that I

be removed and some
man appointed to take my
place immediately as I
cannot please the people
nor the other men that
is the citizen of this county
or adjoining counties and
for that reason I ask that
you send an entire
stranger here to take
charge of things there is
a great many men in this
county ^{that} are holding their
old slaves in bondage at
this time send a man
that will enforce the
law strictly and there
is a man needing here
at this time you should

not put it off by no
means hoping that you
will send a man to
take charge immediately
I shall stop all further
business to day if you
can it would be best to
send a guard with the
man you send for he
will be in danger
hoping this may suit you

I am yours R

Edmund C. Marks
Capt for Culinary
copy

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Morse D. Bond
Supt Livingston County
Smithland Apr 23 1866

(Col)
Case of Clements, versus
Buttiff

April 25 1866

Office, Bureau B. & A. S.
Smithland Kentucky, April 23. 1866.

Major John L. Overman

Dear Sir: -

I have a very aggravated case
before me which is as follows.

Mr. Julius Nathan Sutliff of Cottenden
Co. Ky. owned in the year 1863

a colored woman named Annie

Clements. whom he took out five
times into the woods, stripped her
and beat her almost to death.

She finally fled for her life and came
to Smithland where she has resided ever
since. She has two twin daughters 14
years old who are still at Sutliff's
getting no pay. She left at Sutliff's
also at the time of her flight all her
clothes, and personal effects, consisting
of bed, dishes and furniture. Annie Clements
says that Sutliff pretends to have no objection

...bringing her two daughters away
from his house, but she is utterly
opposed to attempt to do so without
the protection of the Bureau.

The said Annie Clements has also filed
a bill in this Court praying for
damages against the said Julius Nathan
Sutliff in the sum of one thousand
dollars (\$1000.) for the dreadful and
aggravated cruelties inflicted upon her
by said Sutliff in the year 1863.

Now I wish to say to your Honor that this
man Sutliff is supposed to be one of the
wealthiest men in Crittenden County,
and that he lives only about two miles
from the Livingston County line. Annie
Clements and her husband Kings Clements,
the colored parties interested, live in Smithland
and they wish me to pray you for authority
to arrest and bring before the Livingston Co.
Recorder's Court this man Sutliff, and they
also wish me to ask, if this authority
is granted by your Honor, whether or not
I would be allowed to try Sutliff now

for the cruelties inflicted in the
year 1863. while the aforesaid
Annie Clements was a Slave. If you can
allow me to make this arrest in the
edge of Crittenden County I will take
pleasure in so doing, and if so advised by
your Honor will try the offender for the
heavily cruelties inflicted in the year 1863
and will also sustain the plea for
damages in the sum of \$1000. or less, as
the court shall see fit.

Please have the kindness to communicate
with me by return mail upon this sub-
ject and let me know whether or not I
may restore the children to their parents
if indeed I may not try the charges of
1863. I have the honor to remain

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
J. Bond Thompson

Supr. B. Recorder, A. L. for
Livingston Co Ky

Batchelder R. A. 18

Brt St Col Chif 9th Sept 17
Surrender Am 21 1764

Transmits 50 Posters
which ~~Advertising~~
the ^{an auction} sale of govern-
ment property, to
take place at Pa-
ducah on the 8th of
May, which he
requests may be
posted up in a
conspicuous place
the town and
vicinity and that
he may be notified
of ^{the} Major Donor's
action.

Recd O. C. S. A. 205.5 1/2
April 25 1866

Head-Quarters Department of Kentucky,
OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER,

Louisville, Kentucky, April 21st 1866.

Major J. H. Donoran
Paducah Ky
Major.

I transmit to your address
by mail, 50 Posters, advertising an auction
sale of Government buildings, to take
place at Paducah Ky on the 8th of
May, and respectfully request that you
will cause them to be posted up in the
town and vicinity, and notify me of your
action.

Very respectfully
Your obt. servt
R. H. Balthus
Sgt Col & Chy 2. U.

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Gibbs & Davis
Chas C

Major. A. A. G. & A. A. G.

Ad grs Sept 14

Louisville Ky

April 21 1866

Enclosing Par II Genl Orders
86 and Transportation for
Detachment of 2 d U. S. C.

Recd. Ad grs W. V. G. Dist
Ky April 25th 1866

HEAD-QUARTERS,
Department of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky. April 21st 1866.

Major J. H. Dorian
Supt Freedmens affairs
Paducah Ky.
Major.

I have the
honor to enclose herewith paragraph 1st Special
Order No. 84, C. S. from these Head Quarters, and
transportation for the detachment referred to in
said order, which you will please deliver to the
sergeant in charge of the detachment, and would
further state that the General Commanding does
not deem it expedient to leave this Detach-
ment at Paducah.

Very respectfully,

Yours obedt servant
Wm. I. Ketchum

Major and A. A. S. General.
A. A. General

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Liberty 2000 + Capt. Robinson
April 26 1866

Application of Hannah
Eden Thomas for recovery
of her child. Held by Wm.
Blunt of Mayfield Ky.

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Held by Wm. Blunt of Mayfield Ky.

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Held by Wm. Blunt of Mayfield Ky.

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Bureau R. F. & A. L.

OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT, M^cKen Lee, Ky

Paducah, Ky., April 25th 1866.

Major L. H. Donoran

Chief Supt. N. W. Sub Dist, Ky

Major

I have the honor to state that a Colored Woman named Hanna Eden Thomas has applied to me, to recover her child from M^r. W^m. Blunt who resides near Mayfield Graves Co, Ky. The child has been sent after three times and has been refused the party going after her. Her mother is anxious to get possession of her, wishing to send her to school. I have the request that the application of the mother may be complied with.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully

Your obedient Servant

John F. Smith

1st Lieut 14th Regt. I. N. Co, Ind

Superintendent M^cKen Lee, Ky.

Bryd John 21

Mayfield St

April 28th 1866

Showing Cause why
the Holders Ann & Bryd
in Custody

Recd April 30th 1866

Recd

April 30 1866

Mayfield Ky April 28. 1866

Geo H Donnan

Maj 19th Regt Vet Res Corps

and Chf Supt N.Y. Sub Dist Ky

Sir

Your of 16th Inst has reached me
and in response I will say that I am
not holding Ann E Bays in Custody
Contrary to the laws of the United States
or other laws.

Said Ann was one of several Slaves
which belonged to me previous to the
adaption of the late Amendment to the
Constitution of the United States. When
said Amendment was proclaimed by the
Secretary of State of the U States as
adapted I recognized it and that as
a consequence said Ann and all
other of my slaves were freed.

Said Ann of her own accord and the
accord of her brother remained still at
my house as neither had wife or other

...arrangements with Mrs. ...
...agreed to leave her still at
...home.

...is some ^{nearly} ten years of age, has
...her brother Henry
...home to take her to,
...these circumstances, under
...of the State of Kentucky the
...County Court has apprenticed said
...to me until she shall be
...at the age of (18) eighteen
...I have executed the proper
...with the requisites
...of the law.

...is now in my custody
...a legal apprentice, where she
...a permanent home, will be
...provided for, kindly treated and
...and so for as
...entirely
...and

There are the names of ...
in my custody and ...
legal claims to her ...
Services

Respectfully
John Boyd

S 12 1866

Bureau ~~Q. D. L.~~
Office ~~McCracken Co. Ky.~~
Paducah. Ky. Apr. 17 '66

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Smith J. F.

1st. 14 Regt V.R.C.
Supt. McCracken Co. Ky.

Forwards Statement of
Julia Cole (colored), asking
for possession of her
two daughters. told by
Mr. Atkinson of Carroll
Co. Tenn.

W. H. P.

Rec'd H. Qrs. Subdist Ky. Apr. 22 1866.

Bureau Refugees East A. Lands.
Head Qrs. Sub-Dist Ky.

Louisville April 23rd 1866.

Respectfully forwarded to the
Assistant Commissioner & States
of Ky and Tenn for his information
and action.

Levi F. Burnett.

Lieut. V. R. C. & A. A. A. Genl.

In the absence of Post Brig. Genl John G. G.
Chief Supt &c

Bureau R. F. & A. Lands
Office West. Commissioner
Nashville Tenn. April 24th 66
Respectfully returned to Lieut
J. F. Smith, Supt. of McC
Cracken Co. Ky. at Paducah.
inviting attention to letter of
instructions to Maj. Donovan
Chief Superintendent H. H. S. &c



District, of even date
with this endorsement.

By Order of
Post Major Genl. Pick
Asst Comd Ky & Tenn.

W. S. Brown

A. A. General

C. D. 134 H. C. Ky & Tenn. '66

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands,

Head-Quarters, Sub District of Kentucky

Louisville, Ky., 1866.

Office of Cracker Co Ky
Paducah Ky Apr. 17th 1866

A. F. Smith

1st Lieut 14th Regt V.R.C.
and Supt. Cracker Co Ky

Forward statement of
Julia A. Cole (Colored)
asking for possession
of her two daughters
held by Mr. Atkinson
of Carroll County Tenn.

Paducah Ky

April 17th 1866

Respectfully forwarded
to Head Quarters Com-
missioner of Bureau
of R. F. & A. S. for States of
Kentucky and Tennessee
through Ad. Gt. Supt
Dist. Kentucky

M. H. Donovan

Maj 19th Regt V.R.C.
and Chief Supt N. W.
Dist Ky

Sub-Dist Ky Louisville April 22nd 1866

Bureau R. F. & A. L.,

OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT, McLea & Co. Ky.

Paducah, Ky., April 17th 1866.

Major H. Donovan

Chief Supt. N. W. Dist. Ky.

Major

I have the honor to forward the following statement of Julia Cole (col'd). She states that M^r. Pleasant Atkinson of Carroll Co, Tenn, holds and retains possession of her two daughters, Mary about 14 years of age and Amanda 12 years of age and that M^r. J. Harris of Gibson Co, Tenn, hold and retains possession of another named Sarah Jane aged 10 yrs. She wishes to have the three daughters above named restored to her. She resides now in this city, and if possible would like them sent here.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

John S. Smith

1st Lieut 14th Regt. T. L. and

Superintendent McLea & Co. Ky

Nashville, Tenn.
 April 24. 1866.
 Davis, J. C.

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BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN AND ABANDONED LANDS,

States of Kentucky and Tennessee.

Assistant Commissioner's Office,

Nashville, Tenn., April 24th 1861.

Maj.

I am directed by the asst. Commr to inform you that it is not necessary in case like the enclosed in which the course to be pursued is simple and plain to refer the matter to this office. Parents are the natural guardians of their children and unless under peculiar circumstances should be protected in this right. The way to do is simply this - The parents are at liberty to go and get their children as white people would be under similar circumstances. The Bureau only recognizes the case when the children are for any reason detained

by force from joining their parents.

This Bureau does not furnish transportation in these cases.

You are expected of course to explain all these things to applicants - or assist them with any information which you can - You can also, & it ^{is} the better way to give the parties a line to the Supt. of the County in which their children are asking that they aid the parties in obtaining their children. If the agent refuses to give any assistance or the children are unlawfully detained then the Bureau steps in with its authority and not before.

I am, Maj.

Very Respectfully

Your obedt. Servt.

H. S. Brown

Capt. & A. G.

Maj. Donavan
Chief Supt. &c
Paducah
Ky.

James M. Smith
New York, N.Y. Apr. 27 1866

On relation to Lee a colored
man supposed to be a for-
mer slave of his who is
now in a destitute condition

Recd & Adgwd of Wm. Smith
Apr. 30th

Near Brunswick Apr. 22nd, 1866

Prof. Donnan,

Dr Sir I am happy to inform you that ~~Mr~~ ^{the} colored man of whom you have written to me about, can have no claims upon me, none whatever —

You certainly have been referred to the wrong man, I never owned him nor had anything to do with him neither did Mrs Lee ^{our friend} her husband Mr B. T. Lee deceased) ~~and~~ at one time day 15 or 16 yrs. ago, owned this old man's wife which woman Mr Lee bought of Prof. Hinton. Mrs. Hinton & Mrs. Greenleaf were his young mistress; whom he says that he nursed when they were small. Now Prof if there is claims upon any one it certainly should be upon those persons, & not upon me. For he never was a family negro of mine & unfortunately I am stripped of all my help & have Mrs Lee & her little son both to take care of. Further — ^{last} more the woman whom he claimed for a wife —

is now in Paducah & has a daughter & son all
of whom are able to work & make a living both
for him & themselves. So you can certainly
have this poor old man cared for by some of
them. For it is utterly impossible for
me to work for him. in addition to those
that I have already with me. whose claims are
nearer & dearer than his.

I am Sir, very Respectfully

Yours

J. V. Burradey

Wm. H. H.

Burradey
J. V. Burradey
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Appointed April 27 1866

On relation to the a certain
man who had made to be a
free slave of his wife & in
now in a death bed condition

Wm. H. H. 11/10/13
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Montgomery City Ky
April 26 1866

Case of David Vaughan
(Colored) Versus Northington

May 1st 1866

Read May 13 1866

Montgomery City Ky. April 24. 1866

Major. Donnam
Paducah

Ky. Dear Sir

Your letter has been received this day and in the absence of Mr. Worthington to Cincinnati and having an accurate knowledge of the facts beg leave to write you as follows 1st Perry Vaughan Colored Woman never did at any time belong to Mr. Worthington 2nd Her husband David Vaughan forced her and as she supposed abandoned her as Manny as four times for an indefinite period - upon his last return he was quite ill was cared for by Mrs. Modine given for his relief and further willingly made a contract for the year to labour on a farm in the service of Mr. Vaughan the father of his former owner This contract as soon as he recovered from his illness he forfeited and left for Illinois made another contract to go South with the Freedman George and Henry deceived his employer and returned not to his home but to Mr. Collins who instead of instructing David to comply with his contract has persuaded it would appear an entirely different course so it may be that Mr. Dudley under his influence both Gentlemen of my

for whom I have ever cherished kindly
 feelings. But she they are both mistaken. Mr. Northington
 has acted under the influence of no other
 feeling than kindness and benevolence towards the woman
 Mary Hingham and her former owner Joshua Hingham
 She cried and grieved to go with her former Master and
 Mistress. They could not take her and her children
 because they were unsettled but expected to settle
 in Louisville. Mr. Northington promised to take care
 of her and her children. Her husband having left
 and take her to Louisville where she could have
 the care of those who raised her either complying
 with a contract with them or with any one else. She
 might choose. Mr. Northington did not want her
 would not support her and family for her services
 could not turn her off because of his relation to her
 former owners and because her husband had abandoned
 her. He never demanded her nor was she ever deman-
 ded by Mr. Rollins or Dudley as the agents of David
 Hingham (Colo'd) man. She was not forced away but
 left under the impression that if her husband had
 not forsaken her he would join her in Louisville he
 having declared repeatedly that he would slave
 or free rather live with his former owner whom he

called familiarly Master Joshua. It
 be readily substantiated to your entire satisfaction.
 After your perusal of this communication you are
 not satisfied Mr. Northington will report himself
 at your office as early as practicable after his
 return. Please write immediately thus J. O.
 Northington Oakville Galland City (Ind) Ohio Ill.

Most Respectfully

J. D. Ferguson

Burnett Levi D. 25/2

Lieut. McCortland G.

Louisville April 30/66

by John

Provd. Blank monthly
Reports & Monthly Returns
of Expenditures.

Recd. Ad. grs. & is sub. Del. by May 1st 1866

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands,

Head-Quarters, Sub District of Kentucky

Louisville, Ky., April 30th 1866.

Maj John H. Donovan
Chief Supt &c,
Paducah Ky

Major;

I am directed by Bvt. Brig. Genl John
Ely. Chief Supt. &c Sub District Kentucky, to forward
to you herewith by mail, the following named
blanks, for the use of Supts in your Sub Dist
Twenty (20) Blank Monthly Returns of Receipts and Expenditures
Twenty (20) " " Reports " Contracts approved &c &c

You will please acknowledge receipt of the same

I am Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

Levi F. Burnett

Lt Col. &c &c

Columbus Ky, Apr, 2nd 1866

Sir,

I have the honor to respectfully call your attention to the necessity of having a Surgeon appointed here in the Freedmen's Department

There are quite a number here sick with the smallpox I sent two families to the Hospital last week sick with it, two died with it, The city authorities are not inclined to look after them and see that they have proper care and medical treatment, but are trying to throw the whole responsibility upon me, There are quite a number sick with other diseases, and some are suffering for the want of care, I am doing all I can for them,

I am organizing a relief society among them to make them as self sustaining as I can, and am getting those out of employ, places in the country so as to thin them out here, but this seems to be a central place, and they are constantly coming here from all quarters, and if there is any one on the boats passing here sick they are left here to be cared for, and most of the surgeons

for Ballard, Hickman &
Gulton Cal. Ky
Columbus Ky
May 7th 1866

Respectfully returned with the information that what I stated in the within communication was at the time correct. Many were sick with small pox in hospital and others coming down with it in camp. The city authorities urged me time and again to receive and receipt for all that had been turned over to them by the Medical Department and take the whole responsibility of the sick and destitute freedmen saying that they had been so much expense that they thought the Government ought to assume the responsibility now, and finally told me they should turn it over to me. I then told them I should not take that responsibility without orders to that effect. but would do all I could to assist them. It was some time before they would consent to it, and in the mean time with all I could do the sick suffered for want of care and necessities. They finally took hold with me, furnished nurses and

(over)

the hospital and now the small pox is fast disappearing, but few cases in hospital and those convalescent and none out to my knowledge, and not as many sick with other diseases. Dr. Stillman must have had reference to heads of families when he reported but 300 freedmen here for there is all of that number of that class and was then. There are not far from 1000 freedmen here and about the same number then, quite a number of transient ones all the time. I do not think the appointment of a surgeon necessary here now as we have that Department in very good running order.

James G. Bolton
Lieut. 15th U. S. C. and
Supt. Ballard, Hickman &
Gulton Cal. Ky

Recd G. C. I. N. W. Sub Dist Ky
May 12th 1866

Office Chief Supt. B. R. F.
A. S. it is Sub Dist. Ky
Paducah Ky
May 5th 1866

Respectfully referred to Lieut. J. G. Bolton M. B. and Supt. C. Columbus Ky attention invited to inclosure of Chief Surgeon A. C. Swartzwelder with instructions to return report of the within matter with these papers to this office.

John H. Donovan
Major 19th U. S. C. and
Chief Supt. A. W. Sub Dist
Ky

Recd G. C. I. N. W. Sub Dist
May 24

Office Chief Surgt B.F. Felt
U.S. at West. Dist. Ky
Hosp 1400
May 1866

Bureau R. P. No A. L. L.
Office Asst. Commissioner
Ashville Tenn. May 1866

Respectfully referred to Maj
J. H. Denison, 19th V. R. C. Co
Supt at Paducah, Ky
attention invited to endorse-
ment of Surgeon A. C. Swartz-
welder, Chief Surgeon Ky
Tenn.

By Order of
Bvt. Major Genl Pick
Asst. Comd. Ky & Tenn
H. S. Brown
A. A. General
C. B. O. 139 A. C. Ky & Tenn. 1866

for the State of Ky. & Tenn,
Ashville,

Wormpew 27
 Supt Livingston County Ky
 May 4th 1866

In relation to des-
 titute Freedmen in
 his County

Recd. O.C.S. & 20 S.S. Ky
 May 7th 1866

Recd May 7th 1866.

for the State of Ky. & Tenn.
 Nashville.

NARA 71
Office Bureau R. F. and A. L.
Smithland Kentucky
May 4th 1866

Major John H. Donovan

There is one
or two cases of extreme destitution in
this County and they being Refugees and
Freemen the County authorities positive-
ly refuse to help them or grant them any
allowance. In this dilemma they naturally
turn to me. If there is any source from
which I could procure for them anything for
their sustenance or support, I would like
at least to help one Freeman in this Co
named Bob Smith who is 85 yrs. old
and still active, but without friends
or relations in the world, so far as his
own knowledge extends. Is there any source
from which I could draw funds or rations
for him, and perhaps one or two more.

I remain Very Respectfully
your Obedt. Servt.

J. Bond Thompson
Super-Bureau R. F. and A. L. for Livingston Co
Kentucky

Nov 28
C. W. L.

Supt. &c

Caddyville Ky

April 29th 1866

accepts appointment
as Supt for Lynn Co
Ky

Recd May 7th 1866.

Madisonville Ky
April 29th 1866

Maj John H. Donovan
Chief Supt North Western Div Ky
Paducah

Sir

I have the honor of accepting
the appointment of Supt Bureau Refugees, Freedmen,
& abandoned Lands, for the County of Lyon Ky -
Head Quarter Eddyville Ky - I am instructed
By Order of Brvt Brig Genl Ely to report to
your Head Quarter for instructions - I
shall endeavor to enter upon the duties of said
position by the 1st of May, and will hold mys-
elf in readiness to obey any Orders that may be
issued from your honors Head Quarter -

Respectfully
Your obedient
Servant
W. C. Noel

Wb 29
Supt oc
Eddyville Ky
May 3 1866

accepting appointment
as Supt. for Nigg Co Ky

Eddyville Ky
May 3 1866

May John S. Donnan
Chief &c
Paducah Ky

May -
1866

Recd May 7th 1866

Sir
Yours of the 26th and
28th April is before me, also
~~the~~ extract from Special Order
No 14, appointing me to additional
duty in the County of Nigg.
I arrived here this morning
from Madisonville Ky where I
received my first appointment.
The appointment dated April 14th.
I think I received it on Sunday.
The 29th mailed my acceptance

to your Head Quarters on the
30th and started for this Place
the first day of the present month,
and arrived here this morning.

You Honor will perceive
that I have not entered upon
my official ^{duty} yet but shall
do so immediately and shall
report accordingly. As soon
as I adustion which I will
do to day, I shall go to Migg
Co and do likewise.

Respectfully
Your Obedient
Servant
W. C. Noel
Supt &c
Lyon & Migg Co
J. J. J.

WARR 77
Birmingham May 4th 1866

Mayor Donnan

Dear Sir, My friend
Gunsman Mr James Love
has informed me that you
want an agent for the
Freedmens Bureau in this
County.

I have to say to you that
I would like to hear from
you as early as convenient
telling forth to me my whole
duty and the Compensation
that I am to receive for
attending to the same. if
the propositions suit me &
I feel myself qualified for
the office I will accept
it.

Yours very Respectfully
L. S. Locker

NARA 78
Jurguson J. 5 31
Ballard County Ky
(May 5 1866)

Our relation to the wife
of David Vaughan (Col)

Recd May 8th 1866

J. H. Thompson

May 5th - 1866

Barbara Gay

May. Donovan

Dear Sir

I have the pleasure
of stating to you that the interest &
activity manifested by Maria Beagham
(Graceman) in relation to his wife's
departure to Louisville has been alleged
as you will see by the enclosed statement.
I have seen him since his return from
Paducah the last time in the presence
of the two Mrs Pollen's had a full free
and frank conversation with him.
His mind doubtless as you may have dis-
covered has been markedly sensitive from
false representations his own lack of
information and his not appreciating
the moral character of a contract.
No man can believe more firmly
than myself that every human
being no matter of what race or color

will come up, to the just claims
of his, birth of his, life, and of his
death.

We will write immediately
to Mr Joshua Vaughan that his
wife may be sent to Panama.
We should to regard the case as
one that you can dismiss and
accept in expression of my
high regard for the justice with
which you are disposed to act. However
all yours.

Very Respectfully

Yours.

Obert Linn

J. H. Ferguson

Ferguson J. H. 31

Ballard County, Md.
(May 5, 1866)

Our relation to the wife
of David Vaughan (Col)

Recd May 8th 1866

David Vaughan
May 5th 1866.

David Vaughan
May 5th 1866.

Recd May 8th 1866.

I David Vaughan of the County of Ballard. and State of Kentucky having had an explanation of all the facts and Circumstances which led to my wife going to Louisville gave my free and full consent that she be written to by Mr J D Ferguson or G Vaughan to the care of Joshua Vaughan who will send her on a Boat to Paducah and I hereby express my desire that old Mr Vaughan will release me from my contract made with him in the beginning of the present Year And that the Prudence will be pleased to consider my case. released all I want is my wife and Children Respectfully and Signed for me. by Mr. Charles Rollins David Vaughan

Witness
J. W. Rollins
J. D. Ferguson

This is a true copy of the original article of
D. H. Perkins

May 5th 1846

NARA 83
Gumett Ely John
Emi 30 per
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Lieut V McLeod and Adm
Gonsville 1 by
(May) 5 1866

In relation to the report
at the Freedmen's school
approving communication
in the Paducah Herald
relative to the status of Fre-
edmen in this Sub District

Recd & approved Dist 1 by May 8th

NARA 84

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands,

Head-Quarters, Sub District of Kentucky

Louisville, Ky., May 15th 1866.

Major, J. H. Donovan V.R.C.
Chief Supt. & Sub District,
Paducah, Kentucky.
Major.

In reference to
your Telegram of April 18th, and letter of April
20, 1866, relative to an attack on the Colored
School at Paducah, Ky. I am directed
by Bt Brig Genl John C. Chief Supt. &c.
Sub Dist Ky, to request you to inform these
H^q Quarters whether the school is closed, and
whether the disturbance was as serious as
you at first supposed, if so, you are di-
rected to obtain the names of the parties
concerned ^{in the riot} without their knowledge and forward
the same to these H^q Quarters.

Your letter addressed to Col. John
C. Noble, Editor Paducah Herald, in relation
to the status of the employed Freedmen to their
employers & vice versa, meets the ^{entire} approval
of this Office.

I am Very Respectfully,

about 1840
 Your Obedient Servant
 Levi F. Burnett
 St. V.R.C. & N. A. N.Y.

Bolton J. D. 34

St. R. Co. Supt. &c.
Columbus Ky May 9/1866

Acknowledging receipt
of Blank Forms and
making inquiries upon
the duties of his office

Recd of S. R. Co. Supt. &c.
May 12/1866

NARA 87

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands
Hd. Qrs. Ballard Hickman & Fulton Co. Ky.
Columbus. Ky. May 9th 1866

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the
Blanks for Monthly Returns and Reports forwarded from
your Office. May 5th 1866. Also an Official copy of General
Order, No. 5^{1/2} dated Hd. Qrs. Military Division of the Tennessee
Nashville, Tenn. February 15th 1866

I wish respectfully make a few inquiries for information
Am I allowed the expenses of printing such Blanks as I
need in the discharge of my duties. I see there is nothing to
that effect on the Monthly Return of Receipts and Expendi-
tures.

Shall I make a Report of only the arrests made for outrages
committed by white and blacks, or all arrests made inclu-
ding those made by civil authority.

Shall I fill up the blank spaces in the heading of the Returns
and Reports: if so how shall I fill the first line as I have
no District or Sub-District under my jurisdiction.

What distinction shall I make between fines and forfeitures:
as I understand it a fine is a forfeiture.

If I fine a person and he refuses to pay the fine what course
shall I take to compel him to pay said fine

NARA 88

Would you advise me to adjudicate all ~~suits~~ where
the Freedmen are concerned, or to turn over to the civil
authorities all ~~suits~~ where there are white witnesses enough
to secure justice to the Freedmen, and watch the proceedings
and see that justice is done, as I have no one to assist me
in any thing but citizens.

I desire to do just right in all things therefore I make
these inquiries for information,

I am Major

Very respectfully

Your obdt servt,

James F. Balton,

2^d Lieut, 13th U. S. C. and

Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Co's. Ky.

Major John H. Donoran

19th U. S. C. and

Chief Supt. N. W. Sub-Dist Ky.

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Lent 35
May 10th 1866

Acknowledging receipt of
report for April and au-
thorizing Circular for the
Suppression of Negro Dance
Houses &c &c

Recd O B S. m. S. D. Ky
May 12th 1866

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

HEAD QUARTERS SUB-DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., May 10th 1866.

Maj John K. Donoran O.R.L.,
Chief Supt. &c Paducah Ky.
Mayor;

I am directed by Bt Brig. Genl. John Ely
Chief Supt. Sub Dist. Kentucky, to acknowledge receipt
of your interesting report for the month of April 1866,

You are authorized to issue a Circular
directing the suppression of the Negn. dance houses
&c in Paducah Ky.

I am Major

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

Levi J. Burnett,

A. O.R.L. &c, &c,

NO. 36
Supt Trigg & Lynn Co
May 10 1866

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Acknowledging receipt
of Blank forms

Recd May 13 1866

Eddyville Ky
May 10th 1866

Sir

Yours of the 7th Inst is before me.
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt
of the following named Blanks for the use
of my Office,

Three (3) Blank Monthly Reports of
Contracts Approved &c

Three (3) Blank Monthly Returns of Receipts
& Expenditures,

I desire addressing
you a note in a few days upon business of impor-
tance to this District, I should have attended
to it this morning but the mail is about
leaving-

Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

W. C. Noel

Supt &c For Lyon &
Trigg Counties Ky

W. G. Woodcuff 39
Supt. Empire Iron Works
May 10 1866

In relation to forwarding
his Monthly Reports & en-
closing order of M. C. -
Noel

W. G. Woodcuff
May 14 1866

Empire Iron Works

Trigg Low Ry May 10th 1866

To

Major John H. Donovan

Chief Supt. V.M. Sub Dist Reg

Yours of April 28th came
to hand contents noted. I have been absent & I
should have answered it sooner. Major I sent my
reports on the 29th Hereafter I will try and send them
on the 28th or 27th. Major encloses you will find
an order referred to you by me. Please put your
indorsement on it, and send it to me, as I
would be pleased to keep it on file in my
office.

Most Respectfully

W. G. Woodruff

Special Supt Freedman at
Empire & Elm Iron Works

Thompson & Binde ⁴⁰

Supt. Livingston County
Smithland Ky May 11th 1866

Acknowledging receipt of
Blank forms also case
of John Oms for investi-
gation & Report

Recd O B S & W May 14th 1866

O B S & W S & Ky
May 14th 1866

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Office Bureau R. Land A. L.
Smithland Ky. May 11 1866
Major John L. Gorrovan
Sir:

I have the honor
to acknowledge the receipt of one
lot of Blank Reports, containing
three (3) blanks for Contracts approv-
ed H.C., and three (3) for return of
Monthly Receipts and Expenditures.
I have also received the case of
John Orans referred to me, which
I shall proceed to investigate imme-
diately and report the result to your
Honor as soon as possible

I remain

Very Truly

Your Obedt. Servt.

J Bond Thompson

Supr for

Livingston Co Kentucky.

NARA 97
Burnett. G. F. John

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Lieut. W. C. & A. A. D.

Leicester Mass

May 11th 1866

In relation to Blanks fur-
-nished this office for the col-
-lection of Black Pays Bounty
of Colored soldiers.

Recd. & acknowledged
May 16th 1866

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

HEAD QUARTERS SUB-DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., May 11th 1866.

Maj John N. Donovan O.R.L.
Chief Supt. &c Paducah, Ky.
Major,

I am directed by Port Brig. Genl. John Ely,
Chief Supt. &c Sub Dist. Ky, to forward you this day
by Mail the following named blanks for the collection
of Back Pay and Bounty of Colored Soldiers, &c &c,
Ten (10) Fathers Applications for Arrears of Pay & Bounty
Eight (8) Mothers " " " "
Six (6) Brothers & Sisters " " " "
Eight (8) Widows " " " "
Twenty Three (23) Declarations " " " "
One (1) " " " " " " " " " " " "
Two (2) " " " " " " " " " " " "
Eight (8) Instructions from War Department B.R. F & A. S.
Five (5) " " " " " " " " " " " "

Also,

Nine (9) Form No 22. G. M. Dept.

Nine (9) Reports of Persons and Articles Received.

You will please acknowledge receipt of same,

I am Major

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

Levi F. Burnett.

L. F. B. & Co. & Co., & Co.

Belcher
Det

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Capt & A G M

Louisville May 14/1861

Relating to Frank Brooks
Shipped by him on P. B. "Mor-
ning Star" on the 12th Inst.

Recd. O. C. S. A. W. S. D. S. S.
May 17th in 1861

NARA 101

Depot Quartermaster's Office,

Louisville, Ky. May 12th 1864

Maj John H. Donovan
11th Regt. W.R.C.
Paducah Ky
Major:

Enclose herewith Invoices and
blank Receipts for 4 Blank Books. shipped you
12th inst per Steamer "Morning Star".

Please sign and return
the receipts at your earliest convenience

Respectfully
J. H. Beecher
Capt & A. Q. M.

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E. S. Horntow
Woodville May 15th 1866.

Missall;

Complaint against R
of General

May 17th 1866

Woodville Ky May 15th 1866
To the Agent of the Bureau,
Paducah Ky.
Sir, the Barrer of this state,
belonged to one R. Y. Gerald of
Ballard Co. She came to my house
about the 13th of Feb, last, represent^{ing}
herself badly clothed and feet at her
former home, she had one small child,
with her, and left three others at
Gerald's, I consented to take her and
two of her children, she then went
back to Gerald to get her children
and he refused to let her have them,
she then went to Paducah, to the
Bureau, and got an order for them,
when she presented the order, he still
kept one of them, and went to
the Bureau himself and represented
that the child had a father in Christian
Co, and that he had authorized him

to keep it, and got an order to that effect, from the Bureau, the woman says that this was a gross misrepresentation, that the man whom they claim to be the Father of her child never was her husband, that she is the only legal parent of the child. She says she went to Gerald yesterday to get her child, and he beat her numerous times and threatened to kill her if she came back again, I don't know Mr Gerald, but judging from the almost naked and destitute condition of the woman & her children and the testimony of his neighbors I have but little doubt that her statement is true, I have found the woman to be faithful and obedient, and as well calculated to take care of her children as one Negroe in twenty, now Sir I am not the advocate of the Negroe against the white man, nor the advocate of Negroe equality, or any thing of that sort. I did all in my power to keep them

in bondage, but since they are free and not by their own agency, it is not only justice but humanely demanding that they be treated as human beings, and if you are here to protect them and have their rights respected, this case certainly demands your attention, and I would suggest that an order for the child will not be sufficient, she will be afraid to go back after it, I would further state that I am not interested at all so far as the child is concerned if she gets it, it will be an expense and no profit to me, but I would see justice done her, yours in haste

E. J. Thornton

Witnesses

Rich. Goodson

Joe Goodson

Wm Thornton

Mr. Syme.

May 12, 66

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Louisville Ky.

May 12th 1866

J. H. Belcher
Captain & A. L. M.

Encloses bill of lading
for stores shipped to
his address. Asks
that bill of lading
may be endorsed
and returned at
earliest convenience
to his office.

Recd May 17th 1866

NARA 105
Assistant Quartermaster's Office,

Louisville, Ky. *May 12 1866*

Sir:

Herewith please find enclosed Bill of Lading for Stores shipped to your address.

When received please endorse the Bill of Lading, and return it at your earliest convenience to this office.

Very Respectfully,

Your O^bd Servant,

J. H. Belcher
Capt. and A. Q. M.
By Jones
clerk

Receipted for and returned May 17th 1866

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Bureau R. & A. L.
Officg. Chf. Supt. State 4/4
Louisville 4/4 May 18 1866

Chf. Bot. Brig. Genl. John Chf. Supt. &c

Requires a report of the
"Institute Freedmen" who
are Blind & deaf. Dumb
and Deaf & Dumb. in
the N West Dist of Ky.

May 20

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN & ABANDONED LANDS,

HEAD-QUARTERS, SUB-DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. May 18th 1866.

Maj. John H. Donovan O.R.C.
Chief Supt &c Paducah Ky.

Major;

I am directed by Bvt Brig Genl. John Ely
Chief Supt &c Sub Dist. Kentucky, to request you to forward
to these H-Quarters, with as little delay as possible, a
report of the number of destitute Refugees and Freedmen
who are deaf, blind, dumb, or deaf & dumb, in your Sub
Dist. as called for by printed letter from Chief Surgeons
Office - Bureau R. F. & A. L. States of Ky & Tenn dated April
6th 1866, copy enclosed.

I am Major

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

Levi L. Burnett

Lt O.R.C. &c, &c, &c,

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Bureau R. Y. and A. S.
Head Qu. Sub Dist of Ky.
Louisville Ky May 17 1866

Chy. John

Rygnett. Sir H
Lieut. W. R. C.
A. A. A. Genl

Returns - by instructions
of Genl Ely - Vouchers of
Grundy & Co for Correction
States that they should
made on 13 (Qm Dept) and
that Vouchers for Garrison
Services rendered should
be made on 14 22 (Qm Dept)

May 20 1866 -

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

HEAD QUARTERS SUB-DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky.; May 17th 1866.

Maj John H. Donovan
Chief Supt & Paducah Ky.

Major,

I am directed by Post & Brig Genl John B. Chief Supt & Sub-Dist. of Ky., to return to you the enclosed vouchers of Grady & Co for Stationery purchased for your Head Qrs., and to inform you that since these accounts were returned to your Hd Qrs to be made on form No 22 (Q. M. Dept), instructions has been received at these Head Qrs from the Chief Quartermaster Office Bureau R. F. & A. L. to have all vouchers for purchases, made on form No 12 (Q. M. D.) and all vouchers for services rendered, to be made on form No 22, (Q. M. Dept)

You will please cause these vouchers to be made on form No 12 (Q. M. Dept) in triplicate, signed, leaving certificates and receipts blank, and forwarded to these Head Quarters with as little delay as possible.

I am, very respectfully

Your obedient servant,

Levi J. Burnett.

Lieut N. O. b. in A. A. A. Genl

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Juanas R. S. A. S.
Office Supt. Lynn & Figg Lee
May 18 4866

Not Supt

States that he apprehends
difficulty when he goes to
Figg Lee on business for the
American. Asks for assistance
from the Govt in carrying
out his instructions here

Paducah Ky
May 18th 1866

Maj John H. Dorian
Chief Supt &c
Paducah
Ky

Sir

I wrote you in one of my letters
a few days ago, that I would have something of
interest to communicate to you in a few days, in
relation to the freedmen in my jurisdiction—

Sir in Trigg County I am fearful
I will have some difficulty in carrying out my
instructions, unless I can have some assistance,
from the Government. I visited Paducah the
County Seat of Trigg last week, and addressed
all over the County that I would be there on
the 26th Inst for the purpose of complying with
my instructions from the Government. I scarcely
had been in the town longer than three or four
hours before two of the most reliable union men

...Came to me and told me
 ...the 26th) I would be waited
 ...to leave the County, for they did
 ...the abominable and detestable
 ...freedommen in this County, and it would
 ...be very healthy for me to remain in the County.

That evening Sir I went with
 ...three miles from town and stayed
 ...all night with one of the best Union men I ever
 ...saw. I have known him through the whole
 ...Rebellion and he has stood as firm as an old
 ...Spanish Dollar and still firm for his Gov. He
 ...told me he thought it would not be altogether
 ...safe for me to come back on the 26th unless I could
 ...bring with me some ten or more federal soldiers,
 ...otherwise he remarked he thought it would
 ...have a fine effect upon the Citizens generally
 ...that by that they would know the Gov
 ...intends to have the Law obeyed in regard to
 ...the freedommen and see that justice is done them.

As far as this County is concerned
 ...they are doing tolerably well so far. There are
 ...some leading rebels in the County that mouth
 ...against the Law. They have verbal Contracts

with the freedommen, but not being
 ...I am satisfied there are a number
 ...men in this County and Trigg also, that have
 ...freedommen in their employ. That will never
 ...pay them which they have promised them unless
 ...they are made to present or bring forward
 ...their Contracts.

Sir I would be glad
 ...if I could have the Company of some Union
 ...Soldiers or even find to go with me to Trigg Co
 ...on the 26th. I am satisfied it would have a
 ...salutary influence upon the rebels throughout the
 ...two Counties.

Last week there was a
 ...freedomman shot in the adjoining County about
 ...six or seven miles from this place. I have
 ...never learned whether anything has been done with
 ...the man that committed the deed or not. It
 ...happened in Caldwell Co. I have never seen J. B.
 ...Tyler, the Agent, of that Co to ask him anything
 ...about it.

I would be glad to see
 ...you in person. I could tell you more than I could
 ...write.

Please let me hear from you before
 ...the 26th. I would be glad you would send
 ...me some three or four Dollars worth of post
 ...revenue stamps as they are hard to get

here, and I am Compelled to have them
 respectfully
 your Obedient Servant
 W. C. Noel
 Supt & Fort Agent
 Trigg County

Recd by S. S. Smith
 1866

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Received of W. C. Noel
 Office Supt & Fort Agent
 May 15 1866

Noel
 Supt

Please find the enclosed
 difficulty when it goes to
 Trigg Co on the map for the
 Museum. Note for assistance
 from the Dept in carrying
 out the instructions here

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Bureau R. F. and A. S.
Office Supt. Lyon & Migg Bros
Eddyville May 17 1866

Recd Dr H C
Supt.

Acknowledges receipt of
Circulars

Recd May 24th 1866

Eddyville Ky
May 17th 1866

Maj John H. Donovan
Chief Supt &c
Paducah
Ky

Sir

I have the honor to
Acknowledge the receipt of Circular^s
No^s 1, 3, 6 - No 1 issued from the Chief Quarters
Master's Office Nashville Tenn - No 3 & 6 issued
from the Assistant Commissioner's Office Nashville
Tenn -

Your Obedient
Servant

W. C. Noel
Supt &c for the
Co^{rs} of Gov & Trigg
Ky

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Bureau R. F. and S.
 Office Apt. Commissioner
 Nashville Tenn May 20/66
 Fresh, C. B.

Marshall G. W.
 Chief of Martin

Requests that Major Donnan
 substitute abstract "E" in
 place of "D" on his G. W.
 Return for April 1866

Recd. O. S. N. W. S. D.
May 2nd 1866.

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by - 1000
120/100

Donor
in
Mo
6

by
1000
120/100

by
1000
120/100

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN AND ABANDONED LANDS,

States of Kentucky and Tennessee.

Assistant Commissioner's Office,

Nashville, Tenn.,

May 23 1866

Major John H. Donnan

V. R. & Supt. M. V. Det.

Major

Your Report

of Property with Vouchers has been received at this Office and found satisfactory, except as follows:

The Stationery so purchased by you must be accounted for by you on Abt E. as the Voucher is made by this Office and the property being paid for by me must be also accounted for. I therefore enclose you Invoices & Receipts for the same. You will please return the receipts signed, and substitute the Invoices for your Abstract D.

I am, Sir,

Very Respectfully

G. W. Munroe
Capt. A. G. M.

J. 71. 1866

Act Com. ^{Refugees} Office
Nashville Tenn. May 23. 1866
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Field C. B. Post Maj. Genl.
Act Com. &c

Capt G. W. Marshall, C. g. et
B. R. F. & A. L. transmits to Maj
W. Donovan, Capt. N. W. Sub Dist, Ky
the following checks. - viz -
No 66 for 60.00 to pay Jenny Lyffe
by " 36.88 " Theo. Standring
68 " 4.25 " Louisa Burgess
69 " 18.05 " Grundy & Co.
all on 1st Nat. Bank of Nashville.

4 Encls

Recd Sub Dist Ky Louisville May 24. 1866

Bureau Refugees For A. Lands
Head Qu. Sub-Dist of Ky.
Louisville May 24. 1866.

Respectfully forwarded to Maj
John H. Donovan & R. L. Chief Supt.
Paducah Ky, who will acknowledge
receipt thro these Head Qu.,
By Order Post Brig Genl John B.
Chief Supt Sub-Dist Ky.
Levi F. Burnett

End 243.66 Davis & R. L. & A. A. A. Genl.

Recd May 27th

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN AND ABANDONED LANDS,

States of Kentucky and Tennessee.

Assistant Commissioner's Office,

Nashville, Tenn.,

May 23rd 1866.

Wm. H. Donoran

19th V.R.C. Subtr N.W. Sub Dist

Major

Herewith I

transmit you Checks No 66. for \$10.00. No 67. for \$36.⁸⁵
No 68. for \$44.²⁵ and No 69. for 18.⁰⁵ drawn on the First
National Bank of this place. in payment of accounts
of Henry Tyte. Mrs Stansbury. Lucia Burgess and
George H. forwarded by you. You will please
acknowledge the receipt of the same.

I am Major

Very Respectfully

John Chas. Sub

G. W. Murrell

Capt & A. G. M.

This Capt Sub Dist by
Louisville Ky.

Recd H. G. N. W. ~~Smith~~ ^{Smith} & Co.
May 28. 1866

Lincoln Illinois
May 26 '66

Jackson. L. B.
and others.

Makes application for
the position of Supt. of
Charles Cosby

Lincoln Decy.

May 23^d 1866

Maj. John H. Donoran
Paducah Ky.

Sir

"Mr. Hall" to
whom your communication
of May 1st in regard to
appointment as Superinten-
-dant was addressed, having
gotten into permanent bus-
-ness at Kimmury. Decy
refers the matter to me.

I would accept the
appointment in either of
counties mentioned but
would prefer "Graves"

As to competency. I have

Lincoln May 25th 1866

Maj John Donnan
Paducah Ky.
Sir

Your Communication
reached me after a delay of three weeks on account of my
removal Lincoln to Virmingy. My health became
impaired and I sent the document to Mr C. B
Jackson hoping that you would accept him
in my stead, as I am entirely unable to do any
thing at present. Mr Jackson I knew in the
Army he is well qualified a good soldier & a
good citizen, - and shall esteem it as much a
favor upon me as though I were appointed myself
- which I should readily accept were I able

If the within is satisfactory please direct
appointment to me with directions &c and
I will forward the same to Mr Jackson
immediately upon the receipt of the same

I am Maj

Most Respectfully

Your Obedt Servt
E. Hale

J. H. Brown

by error what is
that refer you to
-owing testimonials

Hoping that you will
favor my application
I am Major
most respectfully
Yours Obedt Servant
C. B. Jackson
Lincoln Ill.

The bearer hereof, C. B. Jackson, is a
young man of good moral character,
& good habits and strict integrity -
he has served his Country in the late
Rebellion - & served in important positions
& given general satisfaction.

I can cheerfully recommend him to
the favorable consideration of the
Superintendent of the Refugee & Freedmen's Bureau
Dept. Western Ky.
Lincoln, Ill. May 23rd 1866. Thos J. Lawson,
Major 3rd Ill. Cavalry

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Recd from 30 1166

*Puau D. G. & S.
Office Insp of Georgetown
Surinam 14 May 1866*

*Thompson J Bond
Insp*

*States that he has a
No. of applications to Col.
Leet Capt. Gray to
re. for Col. Soliman to
that he has no blanks
left that some to fur-
-nished to him.*

Office Bureau L. & Land A. G.
 Smithland Livingston Co. Ky.
 May 27th 1866
 Major John H. Donovan
 Ad. Los Paducah Ky.

In accordance
 with instructions contained in Circular
 No. 10, I have assumed the work of
 collecting claims of colored soldiers
 and sailors, and their families against
 the U. S. Govt. for Back Pay, Bounty, Pensions,
 &c. I now have some applications on
 hand for collection, but thus far, I have
 received no instructions or blanks from
 any source as mentioned in Circular
 No. 10. If you are in possession of
 any instructions, blanks, or forms for
 distribution as provided for in the Circular
 will you please have the kindness to forward
 some to me for official use.

I have the honor
 to remain

Your Oth. Servant

J. Bond Thompson
 Supt. for Livingston Co. Ky.

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Apt. Quartermasters Office
Louisville Ky May 26 1866

Ptched J.H.
Capt + A.G.W.

Forwards invoices of Sta-
tionary shipped to Major
Donovan

Recd M. G. 22 20 64 11/17
May 31 1866

NARA 127

Assistant Quartermaster's Office,

Louisville, Ky. *May 26* 1860

Sir:

Herewith please find enclosed Bill of Lading for Stores shipped to your address.

When received please endorse the Bill of Lading, and return it at your earliest convenience to this office.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt Servant,

J. B. Belcher

Capt. and A. Q. M.

per Jms clk

WAR 123
Depot Quarter Masters Office
Louisville Ky May 30th

Belcher J. M.

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Capt. 10 m

Encloses Invoices and Receipts
Receipts for Stationary and
one Storm Flag - for signature

Recd Hd qrs New Sub Dist 1st
June 3 1866

NARA 129
Depot Quartermaster's Office,

Louisville, Ky. May 3rd 1866.

Maj John L. Donovan 19th Regt
Supt Ordnance. Bureau
Paducah Ky.

Sir;

I enclose herewith
Invoices & Manifest Receipts for stationery and one
Storm Flag. shipped you 26th inst. Please
sign and return the receipts at your earliest
convenience.

Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
J. H. Beecher
Capt & A. Q. M.

Ad qrs Sub Dist Ky 62
 Louisville Ky
 Ch. Johnson per June 12/66
 Burnett Levi F.
 Lt. W. L. & A. A. 2

Transmits Circular to &
 Dated Ad Genl Sub Dist Ky
 Louisville Ky. May 25th 1866
 with instructions relative to
 monthly reports of Colored Sch.

Recd Ad. G. R. A 20 Sub Dist 14
 June 3rd 1866

June - 1866 -

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

HEAD-QUARTERS, SUB-DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. June 1st 1866.

Maj. Orest Donovan R.R.C.,
 Chief Superintendent &c,
 Paducah Ky.

Major:

I am directed by Bt Brig Genl. John E. Chy, Chief
 Supt. &c Sub Dist. Ky, to enclose herewith copies of Circular
 No 2, from these H^d Quarters dated May 25th 1866,

You are directed to cause certified copies of
 circular to be made and forwarded to the Supt. of each
 County in your Sub District, with instructions to furnish
 copies to the teachers of all colored schools in their
 counties, so that the information contained in the Reports
 of col^d teachers may be included in the monthly reports
 required to be made by each Supt. to your office.

If this information has not been already
 obtained for the Month of May, 1866, you are instructed
 to direct the Supt's in your Sub Dist. to make a
 supplementary report (so far as relates to this matter)
 which you will consolidate and forward to these H^d Quarters,
 but do not delay your regular report for May for this
 purpose.

I am Mays

Very Respectfully

Your Obt. Servant

Loevi F. Burnett,

W. R. C. & Co.,

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James R. J. of A. L.
Office Supt of Lyon & Higgins
Eddyville Ky June 17, 1866

~~James R. J. of A. L.~~
~~Office Supt of Lyon & Higgins~~
~~Eddyville Ky June 17, 1866~~

Forwards an Order for
the approval of Genl Fisk
Capt Comd Ky & Tenn

James R. J. of A. L.

Recd

Headquarters Bureau of Refugees
 Freedmen & A.L. for the Counties
 of Lyon & Izzy
 Eddyville Ky

Maj John W. Donovan
 Chief Supt
 Paducah Ky

Sir

Enclosed you will find
 Order to be approved by Genl Gist if
 he thinks proper. I am at a standstill
 and know not what to do until I receive
 further Orders from your Headquarters.
 I am satisfied the rebel portion of my
 District will not comply with my instructions
 unless something is done more than
 has been done.

Respectfully
 Your obedient servant
 W. C. Noel
 Supt & "Gunsling" Ky

J 12 8 1866

Asst Commissioner Office
Nashville Tenn June 8 1866

Fisk CB. Rt Maj Genl
Asst. Com &c.

Capt. G. W. Marshall Col
transmits following checks on 1st Nat
Bank of Nashville to Maj. General

No 100 for \$100 to pay Jemim Pyle
" 101 " 75 to pay the standing

2 inclos

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Recd Sub. Dist H Louisville June 8 1866

Bureau Refugees Genl A. Landa
Head Qu. Sub-Dist H
Louisville June 8 1866

Respectfully forwarded to
Maj John H. Donovan Chief Supt
of Paducah H, who will ac-
knowledge receipt thro these
Hd Qu.

By Order of Brig Genl John Bly
Chief Supt Sub-Dist H.

Levi F. Burnett

Lieut G. R. L. & A. A. A. Genl

Recd - June 11 1866

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN AND ABANDONED LANDS,

States of Kentucky and Tennessee.

Assistant Commissioner's Office.

Nashville, Tenn.

June 4th 1866

Maj. Geo. A. Donnan
 Capt. W. M. Dickey

Majors

Enclosed please find
 Checks No 100^{and} 101 on First Natl Bank of Nashville
 in payment of Theo Pauckey & Family Exp. for
 Clerk's Service & Office Rent for May 1866

Please acknowledge receipt of same

Very Respectfully

Yours Obedt Serv

W. M. Dickey
 Capt. W. M. Dickey

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Purchase R. W. G. & C
Office Supt Ballard & Christman
Tullon Co. Columbus Ky June 11/66

Pollon James F. St
Supt.

Acknowledges receipt
of Circular no 5. D. Moffat
and accounts current

Recd 11th June 1866
James F. St
Tullon Co. Ky

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands.

Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Cos. Ky.

Columbus, Ky. June 11th 1866

Major John H. Donnan
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub-Dist. Ky.

Major:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of copy of Circular No. 5, dated Chief Quarter Masters Office Nashville, Tenn. May 28th 1866, together with Six (6) Blanks "Account Current" Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands.

I am Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

James F. Patton,

Lieut. 13th V. R. C. and

Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Cos. Ky.

Recd

June 15

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Bureau R. J. & A. L.
Office ~~Chief Clerk~~ ~~Supervisor~~ ~~les~~
Sim. Island June 12/1866

Thompson & Bonds
Capt.

Acknowledges Receipt of
Blank applications for
Soldiers Claims of ~~afets~~
Current

Office Bureau
Smithsonian Institution June 12 1866
Major J. A. Donovan Comdg Dist
Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your office of one lot of Blank Applications for Back Pay Bounty Pensions &c for Colored Soldiers and Sailors.

I also thankfully acknowledge the receipt of one lot of Blank Accounts Current for the use of this office

Yours Very Truly
J. Bond Thompson

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Received R. G. A. L.
Office Chief Supt. Gen. H. G. G.
June 12 1866

Recd Supt
N. C.

Acknowledged receipt
of Circular of Banks

Recd
from 15th 1866

Eddyville Ky
June 12th 1866

Maj John Mc Donnan
Chief Supt & NW Sub
Dist

Paducah Ky

Sir

I have this day received from
your Headquarters Copy of Circular No 5 dated
Chief Quarter Master Office Nashville Tenn May 28th
1866. Together with six (6) Blank Accounts Current
Bureau D. H. & A. L. I have also received five (5)
declarations for arrears of pay and bounty - one (1) Father's
Application one (1) Mother's Application one (1) brother's
sister's application one (1) Widow's application, also
one (1) printed instructions from War Department
all of which are respectfully submitted

Your Obedient Servant
W. C. Noel

Supt & NW Sub
Tazewell Co Ky

June 13, 66
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Nashville, Tenn.

June 13th 1866.

Frank C. B.

Marshall, G. W.
Chf. Dir. M. V.

Relative for to
reports for the
month.

Recd June 16th

George B. Felt
 Chief Clerk
 District Court

John H. Lawrence
 Esq. U. S. District Court
 N. W. Sub District No.

My dear Sir

The Court has been received at the Office. Enclosed
 please find the Court of the District Court, which
 can not be separated out. It must be separated for the
 Court of the District Court. Enclosed you will find
 the respective Court Books, which you will please
 out and return to the Office as early as possible.

Very Respectfully
 Your obedt. servant

George B. Felt
 Chief Clerk

B. B. Felt

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Bureau P. & A. S.
Office Chief Supt. State T. J.
Cincinnati June 18th 1866

Dr. J. C. per
Ely L. R.
Bot. Brig. Gen. Chief Supt.

Calls for Report of Per-
sons and articles employed
& Report by Supts of
the North West Subdi-
visions

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My

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Recd. Am. 21

NARA 147

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

HEAD-QUARTERS - DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY

Louisville, Ky., June 18th 1866.

Maj. John H. Donovan U.S.A.,
Chief Supt. &c.
Paducah Ky.

Major:

I am directed by Bt. Maj. Genl. Jeff C. Davis, Asst. Commissioner &c. State of Kentucky, to instruct you to cause a consolidated Report to be made of Persons employed and Property hired, on form No 2. Quartermaster's Dept., in addition to the reports already required from your Dist.

This Report will be made for the month of June 1866, and must embrace all property hired, and the names in full of each Superintendent (whether Army Officer or civilian) Agent and Clerk, or other persons in the employ of this Bureau in your Sub District, and be made complete as required by the form.

Hereafter this report will be made promptly and forwarded at the end of each month, and if the blanks are not large enough they will be pasted together for this purpose.

The Reports and Returns from your office are not required to be forwarded in duplicate, as they

are all consolidated at these 14th Quarters,

I am Major

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

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Bt Brig Genl USA
Chief Supt.

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Bureau R. F. & L.
Office Chief Supt. State Ky
Louisville Ky June 15th 1866

Davis, J. C. per
Oly L. D.
Bot Brig Genl Chief Supt.

Instructions Major Donoran
to make out and forward
to Office Chief Supt. State
of Ky. on the last day
of each month a con-
solidated Monthly Return
of Gr Masters Stores recd
issued and remaining on
hand. Stores belonging to
The Bureau

NARA 150

Bureau Refugee Freedmen and Abandoned Lands
Head Quarters District of Kentucky
Louisville Ky June 18th 1866

Maj John McDonough V.R. Co.
Chief Supt. in
Paducah Ky.

Major:

I am directed by Bt. Maj Genl. Jeff. C. Davis, Asst. Commissioner &c State of Kentucky to instruct you to cause a consolidated return to be made of public property belonging to this Bureau, such as office furniture, stationery &c, in the possession of the Supt's Agents &c in your Sub District.

This Return will show the amount on hand, received, expended, and amount remaining on hand to be accounted for on next return.

The first return will be made on the last day of June 1866, and at the end of each month hereafter.

Property received from the Quartermaster Dept. U.S.A., should be accounted for direct, by the officers accountable for it, to the Quartermaster General, U.S.A.

and not included in this Return,

District Superintendents can make blanks similar
to the one enclosed, as a ^{for retained copies.} sufficient number of the
printed forms cannot be obtained for this purpose.

I am, Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant

John Ely

Bt Brig Genl. U.S.A.
Chief Supt. &c

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Bureau R. Y. A. S.
Office Supt of Lyon & Ingg Co. Ky
Caldyville Ky June 14 1866

Notl *[Signature]* W. C.
Supt

Requests that St Smith
make out indentures find-
ing a colored girl to him

Eddyville Ky
June 14th 1866

Maj John H. Duran
Supt &c
Paducah

Ky

Sir

I was speaking to you
when you were up here, about getting Lt
Smith to bind to me an orphan girl
age 14 years name Jennie Higgins.

The girl has been staying at a
noted hotel for some time, and I am
credibly informed she is badly treated.

If the Lt will bind her to me, and send
me the bond I will execute it and return
it to him.

Yours Respectfully

W. C. Hoel

Supt &c B. R. L.

& A. L. Gou & Hig

Geo. H.

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Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Office Apt. Comm. State N. Y.
Louisville June 25th 1866

Davis, J. C.

Ch.
Hon. Brig. Genl.

Geo.
Chief Supt

Acknowledges receipt of
St Geo F Smiths Supt &c
letters of 19th & 20th Inst. relative
to paupers in McCracken
County.

Directs that an Eco-
nomical and judicious ex-
penditure be made out
for the West Out Dist and
forward to his office

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., June 25th, 1866.

Major John H. Drinnan
Chief Supt &c Paducah Ky.

Major,

I am directed by Brig Major Gen Jeff C. Davis, Asst
Comdr &c State of Kentucky, to acknowledge receipt of two
letters from Lieut John F. Smith Supt &c for Mc Cracken Co Ky,
dated June 19th & 20th 1866, relative to providing for destitute
Freedmen &c in his county.

You are directed to cause an estimate to be
made, for a prudent, economical and judicious expenditure
for such cases, ^{in your Sub-District,} and efforts will be made at this
Office to obtain funds to provide for them.

I am, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Wm Ely

Brig Genl W. S. Fols
Chief Supt &c

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War Department
Washington June 6th 1864

Potts

John

Forwards Printon as
Comd of 100 to be
with an order for the pay-
ment of the same

NARA 157
War Department,

Washington, June 20, 1866.

Capt. John H. Donovan,

19th V.B.C.

Paducah Ky.

Captain.

The following named accounts:

for Job Printing having been audited are herewith
transmitted to you for payment.

No. 2276 -	Paducah Printing Office Co. -	6.00
" 2277 -	" " " "	5.00

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Wm. C. R.

Chief Clerk.

C 414

Recd
June 26. 86

Amos D. Jr & A. S.
Office of the Com. State Ky.
Louisville Ky June 25/86

Davis, J. C.

Ch. John
Hon. Brig. Gen. Chas. Foster

Replies to Major Driscoll
inquiries in relation to
the Contract [redacted]



Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., June 25th 1866.

Maj John A. Dinoran
Chief Supt &c
Paducah Ky
Major

I am directed by
Bro. Maj Gen. Jeff Davis Asst Commr
State of Ky. to acknowledge receipt of your letter
dated June 19th 1866 requesting instructions
relative to the Contract system of this Bureau

1st All Contracts whether approved by
the Officers of the Bureau or not if they are
fair and just, and secure to the Freedmen
fair wages constant employment and good
treatment, are to be regarded as valid and
are to be enforced by the Agents of this Bureau

2^d There is no law order or circular
issued by competent authority, to compel
Freedmen or their employers to submit their
Contracts for approval

3^d It is the duty of Superintendents of the
Bureau to see that Contracts for labor are

to both the employer and employee, as the contract is equally binding upon both parties.

The contract system of this Bureau for labor is as much to the interest of the employer as the employee and ought to be cheerfully complied with by all parties concerned.

4th If the employer on his part violates the conditions of the contract he forfeits to the employee the whole amount of the contract for the year from the date of its violation.

5th Should the employee violate without just cause on his part the conditions of the contract, he can be arrested and be brought to trial, and judgment found against him in favor of his employer for the whole amount of the contract for the year from the date of his violation of the same. He cannot however be imprisoned by reason of not having means to satisfy the judgment for violation of the contract, as there is no imprisonment for debt in this State.

If the Freedman has no more property than is exempt by the laws of the state, if cannot be taken for debt.

In the collection of debt the laws of this state as applied to white persons will govern in all cases relative to Freedmen.

All contracts submitted for the approval of the Agents of this Bureau if considered just and equitable, will be enforced by arresting the Freedman who violate their contracts, and compelling them to perform their part of the same.

I am Sir Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant

John W. B. B. B.
Bt Brig Genl U.S.A.
Chief Clerk U.S.

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Bureau R. Y. & A. S.
Office Supt Ballard Newman
& Fulton Co. Ky. Columbus July 1st 1866

Fulton
Supt

James Y.
Telle
Supt

of
Towards Reports and
Return of Receipts and
Expenditures for the
month of June 1866
Also Contract with a
"Freedman"

Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands
Office Supt. - Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Cos. Ky.
Columbus, Ky. June 27th 1866.

Major John H. Donovan, V.R.C.
Chief Supt. - N. W. Sub-Dist. - Ky.

Major:

I have the honor to enclose
herewith Monthly Report of Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen &
Abandoned Lands, also Monthly Return of Receipts & Expenditures
for Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Cos. Ky. for the Month of
June 1866. Also, one contract with a Freedman,

I am Major,

Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
James G. Balton,
1st Lieut. 13th Regt. V.R.C.
Supt. Gc,

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Is. of Dr. M. G. C.
Jeffersonville, Ind.

Rutherford, R. C.

Forwarded blank receipt
for 44 Reams Paper

Depot Quartermaster's Office,

Jeffersonville, Ind., June 25th 1866.

Major John W. Donnan,

Supt. Bureau R. F. & A. Landg.
Paducah, Ky.

Major:

Enclosed please find transfer papers for four and one half (4½) quires Quartermaster's Blanks sent to you this day in full of requisition received at this office on the 23rd inst.

On receipt of the blanks please sign and return the enclosed receipt to Captain J. H. Belcher, A. G. M., under cover to this office.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient Servant,

R. C. Rutherford.

Colonel and Depot Qr. M.

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James R. Y. A. S.
Spt Comm. Office State of
July 30 1866

David Jeff C.
Brig Major Genl. & Spt Comm

Acknowledges receipt
of Vouchers for payment
of Employees in N. Western
Ind. Dist. States that arrange-
ments will be made to
pay them in a few days

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. July 3^d 1866.Maj J H Donnoan
Lt Col. Reg. Inf. 10

Major

I am directed by
 Col Maj Gen. Jeff C. Davis Asst Com.
 State of Ky. to acknowledge receipt of a
 number of vouchers for payment of
 employees in your Sub Dist. and to
 inform you that arrangements are being
 made for the purpose of obtaining
 funds with a view of paying said
 vouchers. It is thought the funds can
 be obtained by about the 15th of this month

I am Sir Very Respectfully
 Your Obedt Servant

Levi F. Burnett

L F R Q V A A A. G.

Pursuant R. Y. of A. L.
Office Act Corner State Ky
Louisville Ky July 3rd 1866

Davis. J. C.
Barrett Levi J.
St. V. R. C. + A A A G.

States that he is ~~directed~~
~~instructed~~ by Rot Major
General J. C. Davis Apt
Corner's State Kentucky to
acknowledge the receipt
of the papers in the Prange
Case and to direct Major
Donovan to take no further
steps in the matter until
further Order

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., July 3^d 1866.

Maj J H Dorman
V. R. C. Chief Clerk &c.

Maj

I am directed by
Brig Maj Genl. Jeff Davis Asst Com
State of Ky to acknowledge receipt of
papers forwarded by you in the
case of W B. Brame tried before John
F Smith, Clerk of McCracken Co.
and to direct you to take no further
action in the matter until you
receive instructions from this office

I am Maj Very Respectfully
Yours O S Dorman

Levi J. Burnett

L. J. Burnett & A. A. G.

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Was Sept.
Bureau R. G. & L.
Washington June 29th 1866

Brown J. W.
Chf. Qr. Master

Acknowledges receipt
of Qr. Masters Return
for May 1866
Requests that
the return copy be altered
to conform with the one
returned and forward
a similar copy for his
office file

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, D. C., June 29th 1866.

Major J. C. Donovan
19th V.C. Chief Supt
Bureau Refugees Freedmen &
Paducah, Ky.

Sir:—

Your Property accounts "Stores pertaining to the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands" for the month of May, 1866, have been received, examined and forwarded to Third Auditor of the Treasury for final examination and settlement.

By order of

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard, Commissioner,

Very Respectfully,

Please correct your retained copy of the Return as per enclosed copy, and return one for the files of this office.

Your Obedient Servant,

J. M. Mann
Captain and Assistant Quartermaster,
Br Major + Chief QM
Bureau R.F. & A.L.

Princeton Ky

July 3rd 1866

Major Donovan chief Supt

Paducah Ky.

Sir:

I herewith transmit
the return required of me by your
letter of the 2nd inst. It will
be seen that I have no property
whatever belonging to the Bureau.
I have never received anything from
the Quartermaster's Department. I have
needed nothing and will not
there being ^(paupers) persons in this county who
need the assistance of this Bureau.

I have the honor to be
your obedt servant

J. M. B. Tyler
Supt & Caldwell ety

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Bureau of the Army A L
Office of the Chief of the
Department of the Interior
Washington D C
Columbus Ky July 9th 1866

Bolton James F. Gore
Sept 18

States that his Estimate for
Articles required for the use
of his Office has been returned
to him by Capt Marshall of the
Nashville Tenn. with information
that all business must be
transacted with Genl Ely Chief
of the State Ty-

Asst. if he shall
forward his Estimate to Genl
Ely

Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands

Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton cos. Ky.

Columbus, Ky. July 9th 1866.

Major John H. Donovan

Chief Supt. N. W. Sub-Dist. Ky.

Major

I have the honor to report to you that on the 30th day of June 1866, I forwarded in duplicate an estimate of articles &c. needed for use in the Bureau in my Superintendency to S. W. Marshall Capt. and Chief Quartermaster B. R. F. & T. L. Nashville Tennessee and they were returned with the following endorsement viz. Respectfully returned with the information that hereafter all business pertaining to Bureau in State of Ky. will be done with Genl. & Chf. Supt. at Louisville, Ky.

Please inform me if I am now required to make out an estimate of articles needed for use in this Bureau in my Superintendency, if so to whose address shall I forward it

I am Major

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

James H. Baltore 2nd Lt. B. & F. R. Co.

Supt. &c.

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Bureau R. Land & S.
Office Supt of M. & C. Co. 44
Bureau 44 July 11th 1866

Smith
St
Suptoc.
Jas. H.
B. R.

up
Towards Estimate of a
reasonable expenditure
for the support of dutiable
freed men in his supervision
- chm -

Bureau R. F. & A. L.
 Office Superintendent M^cLearen Ken Lee, Ky
 Paducah Ky July 11th 1866

Major J. H. Donovan
 Chief Supt. N. W. Sub Dist, of Ky
 Major

I have the honor to forward
 herewith enclosed a Special estimate for the support of
 destitute freedmen in the county of M^cLearen Ken Lee, Ky. the
 persons named in this estimate are needy and I may say
 in want,

I am Sir
 Very Respectfully
 Your obedient servant
 John F. Smith
 1st Lieut 14th Regt. Vet. Res. Corps
 Supt. Affairs Bureau R. F. & A. L. M^cLearen Ken Lee

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Received of J. L. A. L.
Office of the Postmaster General
at the City of New York
Columbus N.Y. July 9. 1866

Received of James J. L.
Superintendent

Received of
Circular No 3 and
two letters of W. Fowler
A. G. Bureau R. F. A. B.

Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,
Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Cos, Ky
Columbus, Ky, July 9th 1866.

Major John H. Donoran,
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub-Dist. Ky

Major:

I have the honor to
acknowledge receipt of Circular No. 3. Bureau, Refugees,
Freedmen & Abandoned Lands, Asst. Commissioners Office,
State of Kentucky, dated Louisville Ky, June 26th 1866.
Also printed letter from Brig. Major W. Fowler, A. A. Genl.
Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands dated Washington
June 25th 1866.

I am Major

Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant
James F. Bolton,
2nd Lieut. 13th V. K. B.
Supt. Co.

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Bureau R. F. & S.
Office Supt for Ball and Newman
of Sullivan Counties N.Y.
Pondueak N.Y. July 15/66

Bolton St James F.
Supt

States, in reply to a letter
from Major Donovan ask-
ing by what Authority he
employed sub agents. That
it is done in accordance
with the verbal Order Recd
from Major D. and that
they (the sub agents) ask for
no compensation.

Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Cos., Ky.,

Columbus, Ky. July 15th 1866

Major John H. Donovan,

Chief Supt. N. W. Sub-Dist. Ky.,

Major:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 11th inst. Stating that we are no longer under the Control of Govt. Major Genl. C. B. Fisk, and that all communications relating to the business of this Bureau, should be forwarded through your office. Also asking by what authority I employ Sub-agents, and how they are compensated and the rate of compensation. In answer I have the honor to inform you that I employ the Sub-agents by virtue of verbal instructions I received from you when you were ^{here}. As to compensation they ask for none. They are good and truly loyal men. I employ them to keep me well posted in everything pertaining to the Freedmen in their respective Cos, and they were willing and glad to do it without any remuneration.

I am Major Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servt.

James H. Bolton 2nd Lieut. 13th V. Inf.
Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Cos., Ky.

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Hickory Grove Ky. July 24th 1866

Wanted W M

Reports the case of the
abuse of a colored woman
in the town of M.
Cracken Co Ky. by a Doct
Milum. with whom the
negro woman had been
living

Hickory Grove Ky. July 24th 1866

I of
Horeels mans Agent
Pacucah Ky,

Dear Sir as a report of
some importance has of
late been made to me
about the abuse of a colored
lady in the south part
of this country, I think
~~it my duty~~ as a loyal
man to this Government
to send you the same, as if
I mistake not it is your
duty to attend to all such
matters, and if I am
mistaken you will please
excuse me for this address,
as I am well acquainted
with all the practices I may
~~the~~ the Report as a true
one and hope if it is your
duty to attend to such matters
that you will attend to this

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I will now give you the
case as it was given to me.
Mr Dr. Milum, living near the
county line of Hickman, and
groves. Coun, having made
contract with a very industri-
ous, and honest Colored lady
of the neighborhood, for
to live with him, and a few
days ago she without any
particular cause, taken
up a piece of a fence rail
and beat and bruised her
very much, and drove
her off to hunt her
a hole else where, and
would not pay her
any thing for her time
I have known this woman
for several years, and can
say to you that she is a
honest, and industrious
woman, and should have her
rights

This Dr. Milum is one
of Col. Shortners. victims
of the so called Confederacy
should this come to hand
and you wish to attend
to the matter, for
further particulars, call
on me at Hickory
Grove Graves Coun
Ky.

Yours Truly

W. M. Hamlett

address, Hickory
Grove, Ky,

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 Hickory Grove Aug 1st 1866

Comdt. Wm M

States that the Colored
 woman who was ~~sent~~
 treated by Doct Milum
 is named Caroline
 Burnett and that the
 name of the nearest
 Magistrate is G. J. McFall
 of Feliciana Parish, La.

August
 1866

Hickory Grove, La. Aug 1st 1866

Mr. J. H. Roman
 Paducah Ky.

Sir, I received yours of
 2nd July, and would have
 answered it before now but
 I had to send and get the
 name of the Magistrate according
 to your request, which I have
 done correctly, and send it
 to you. There are two in
 the District, Edward Butler
 and G. J. McFall.
 McFall is the most convenient
 for you to call on, and if
 you wish to address him
 his address is

G. J. McFall
 Feliciana
 Grove, La.

I will not give you the
names of the parties
I do not know the given
of Milum but I give it as
Dr. Milum Wickman. Con Ry.
near the town line of
Wickman and Groves
The name of the Woman
is Caroline Burnett
of Groves Co. Ry.

I would say to you that
I do not wish my name
known in the matter
unless it is very necessary
as the parties live near
my Mother which is a
Widow Woman and this
might do her some
privet injury.

But if it is particularly
for to use me in matter
I am always ready to
Bring Rebels to justice

so hoping you will
this matter attended to
I will close.

you will please answer
this to let know
that it come to
hand.

Yours Truly

W. M. Ham

May. Donovan 3
Paducah Ky. 3

Sir

I have the honor
of answering your of the 11th
inst in part of trial between
Mr Milum, and Caroline
Burnett.

Sir your order was delivered
according to your request,
to Squire McFall.

Said McFall sent by Caroline
to Mr. Milum requesting
him to come forward and
settle the difficulty between
him and Caroline,
the said Milum came
forward and proposes
to pay for the labor rendered
as a final settlement.

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There is no best information
that I can get of the matter
at present.

And if so we are not satisfied
as this is the first case of the
kind in ^{the} neighborhood, and
brutal one we wish an
example,

Sir This is a true statement
of the facts, and should I
learn any thing else, I will
let you know.

Yours. as ever.

W. W. Hamlett

John Jay Green
Aug 30 1866

W M H Dantlett.

States that the difficulty be-
tween Mr Millard and Car-
oline Burns has been settled
by Millard paying her for what
work she done, and that he
is not satisfied with the matter

J. 26 B 1866
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Received by J. C. Lane,
Asst Comm. & Office State of Tenn
Nashville Tenn. Aug. 3rd 1866
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List of Post Maj. Lewis & Co.
by Post Maj. H. H. Marshalle
Agreed.

Enclosed Check No 16
on the U.S. Treasury at
Cincinnati for \$26.00 in
payment of Thomas Wilson,
for services rendered as
Orderly from May 1st to
June 30 1866.

One Enclosure

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Recd Asst Com Offr of Aug 4 1866

Bureau Refugee, Fort A. Land,
Asst Comm. Office State of Ky.
Louisville Aug 4th 1866.

Respectfully forwarded to
Thomas Wilson, Orderly, (then 861 St,
North Western Sub-Dist) who will
acknowledge receipt thru this
Office.

By Order of Post Maj Genl Jeff. L. Davis
Asst Com State of Ky.
Levi F. Burnett.

Print A. R. L. A. A. A. Genl,

End 715. 66

OFFICE ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER,
NASHVILLE TENN.

Sir

Enclosed

please find Check No. 74 on the
U. S. Depository at Cincinnati, O,
for \$ 27.50 in payment of
services from May 1st
June 1st 1868.

Please acknowledge receipt of the same.

I am, Sir,

Very Respectfully

Wm Marshall
Adj. Q. M.

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Bureau R. T. & A. S.
Office Supt. Ballard K. H. M.
Sulton Cos. Ky.
Columbus July 21 1866

Sulton James J.
Supt.

I forwards report to,
the Effects that the judges
of the County Courts are
apprenticing the Minor
freemen without any
provision being made
for their Education

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]

Bureau, Refugee, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,
Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Cos, Ky,
Columbus, Ky, July 30th 1866.

Major John H. Donoran
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub-Dist Ky.

Major:

I have the honor to inform you that the County Courts of each of the Counties over which my jurisdiction extends have apprenticed Orphans and Abandoned Minors, ^{or} with ^{freedmen} not having any provision in the Indenture of Apprenticeship for the Education of said Orphans and Abandoned Minors, What course shall I pursue in such cases. I am informed that the last Legislature of Ky. passed an act for the apprenticing of Orphans, Abandoned Minors, &c. of Freedmen which ^{gives} the person to whom the child is apprenticed, the choice to either have them taught to read, write and cipher, or pay them fifty dollars in money, and nearly or quite all choose the latter, Please give me full instruction regarding this matter, and I will abide by it.

I am Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

James H. Bolton,

2nd Lieut. 13th V. R. C.
Supt. &c.

St. Columbus, Ky.

July 30th 1866

James F. Bolton

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Acknowledge receipt
of instructions and
blanks, also circular
no 5, dated
Louisville, Ky. July
23rd 1866. States that
he has never received
Circular No 7 of
1865, referred to in
Par. 6, Circular
No 7. Dated Wash-
ington, July 17 1866,
asks to be forwarded
copy of said Cir.

Recd Aug. 15th 1866.

Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands
 Office Supt. Ballars, Hickman & Fulton Cos, Ky.
 Columbus, Ky, July 30th 1866

Major John H. Donoran
 Chief Supt. N. M. Sub. Dist. Ky.

Major:

I have the honor to
 acknowledge receipt of instructions and forms to be ob-
 served in applying for Army and Navy Pensions under
 the act of June 6th 1866, and Circular No. 9, War Depart-
 ment, Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned
 Lands dated Washington, July 17th 1866. Also Circular
 No. 5, Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands
 Admt. Commissioners Office, State of Kentucky dated
 Louisville, Ky, July 23rd 1866. I have never received Cir-
 cular 17, of 1865 referred to in Par. 6, Circular No. 9, War
 Department, Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands
 dated Washington, July 17, 1866. Will you please forward me
 a copy of said Circular.

I am Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

James F. Bolton,
 2nd Lt. 13th V. R. G.
 Supt. &c.

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Head Qrs Mil Dist Ky
Louisville Ky Aug 27/66

Davis, J. C.

Falck Wm
Capt & A G

States that the Commanding
General desires Major Don-
ovan to name some Cit-
izens Physicians who would
contract to attend the
Detachment stationed
at Paducah. Also asks
if a hospital can be
established at or near
Major Donovans Head Qrs

HEADQUARTERS Military District of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky. August 2nd 1866.

Major John H. Donovan V.R.
Supt. Freedmen's Bureau
Paducah Ky.

Major,

The General Comd. desires me to direct you, to propose the name of a citizen physician who is willing to enter into a contract with the United States, for the treatment of the Detachment of troops, stationed at your city. The rate of compensation is thirty Dollars per month, with an addition of fifty percent in case the medicines are furnished by the physician, making a total of forty five dollars per month. —

The General also desires to know whether you can establish a Hospital

accommodations for your men at their quarters,
thus relieving him of the necessity to order
Hospital subjects to their points.

I am, Sir,

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant
W. J. Talcott
Capt. A. M. &
H. H. Talcott

I. S. #102. Vol. I. M. D. N. /66.

Bot Brig. Genl Geo Ely
Aug 11 1866 121

Davis, J. C.
Asst. Commr.

Louisville, Ky
August 11 1866.

Acknowledges receipt
of Returns ^{of receipts} and Expen-
ditures, for the
month of July 1866.

~~Instructions~~
regarding certain
expenditures.

R. B. S. Aug 19th

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Spencer's Room copy
Answered

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., August 11th 1866.

Maj John H. Donovan
Chief Supt. Paducah Ky.

Major.

I am directed by Prot Maj Genl Jeff B. Davis, Asst Comr, State of Kentucky, to acknowledge receipt of your Return of Receipts & Expenditures for the month of July 1866.

It appears from this Return that Lieut John E. Smith Supt for Mcbracken County has expended the sum of three dollars and twenty five cents for rent of Office, and that Lieut James E. Bolton, Supt for Hickman County, expended the sum of four dollars and fifty cents for rent of Office, and six dollars and sixty five cents for Stationery.

You will instruct them to have vouchers made out on form No 22 for rent, and form No 12 for the Stationery, and forward to this Office in triplicate for payment, and if the accounts meet the approval of the Assistant Commissioner, checks will be forwarded for the same.

You will direct the above named Officers to forward to this Office, all money in their possession belonging to this Bureau up to July 31st 1866, and hereafter on the last day of each month.

NARA 200

Brig Genl John Bly has been designated as Disbursing
Officer for this Bureau for the State of Kentucky, and no
one else has authority to pay the accounts against the
Bureau in this State.

You will instruct all Supts under your charge to
not make any purchases without authority from this
Office, as hereafter, purchases not made in accordance with
these instructions will not be paid.

I am, very respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

John Bly

Brig Genl U. S. A. Chief Supt.

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Louisville, Ky
August 11th 1866.

Town, F. L.
Chf Med. Officer Dist

Regarding contract
with Dr. C. M. Bar-
trick of Paducah.

Yours & C.

Aug 15th 1866

R. S. O. Aug 15th 1866

Office of Chief Medical Officer
 H. & D. Dist of Ky
 Louisville Ky August 11th 1866

Sir

Enclosed please find copies
 of contract with Dr. A. M. Barbisch of
 Paducah Ky, at \$30. per month, with
 50 per cent on his monthly pay for medicines
 furnished by him - \$15. Total for services and
 medicine \$45. per month. Two copies of
 the contract should have a revenue stamp (5 cts)
 affixed thereto. These copies, after obtaining Dr.
 Barbisch's signature, and being witnessed,
 should be retained for approval, together
 with the oaths of allegiance - One copy
 will be returned to the Doctor -

Very respectfully
 your obt servant

F. L. Town

Bot. Maj's Asst Surg. USA
 Chief Med. Officer Dist

To.
 Maj Geo. A. Donovan V. R. C.
 Chief Superintendent N. W. S. D.
 Paducah Ky

Bot. Brig Genl Ins Cty
 Chf Supt State Ky
 Louisville Ky Aug 14th
 124 1866
 Davis, J. C.

Transmits 4 Bank Certs
 of Office to be taken by al.
 Circular agents and Clerks
 throughout the State

file.

Ans Aug 17 1866

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN & ABANDONED LANDS,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky.

Aug 14th 1866.

Maj John N. Donovan.
Chief Supdt. &c.
Paducah, Ky.

Major

I am directed by Bt Maj Genl Jeff C. Davis, Asst Commissioner State of Kentucky, to transmit herewith, blanks "Oaths of Office", which is required to be taken by all Civilians (Supdts Agents and Clerks) in the employ of this Bureau.

You will cause all civilians under your charge to take the oath before some person duly authorized to administer the same, and forward it through your Head Quarters to this Office with as little delay as possible, with the proper Revenue Stamp affixed thereto.

This is in accordance with the requirements of the law establishing this Bureau.

I am very respectfully

Your Obedt Servt

over

John
Port Brig Genl U.S. Army
Chief Superintendent &c

Foster James J.

Murray Aug 17th 1866

Applies for appointment as Agent

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To be examined

Aug 17th

Murray Kz

Aug 17. 1866

Major John A. Donovan

Chief Supt North Western Ind. Dis. Kz

Sir

I have the honor of applying for the
position of Superintendent affairs Bureau
Refugees Freedmen. Attended. Lands
for Calloway County Kz Enclosing Recommendations
I am very Respectfully
Yours, James Foster

Murray, Ky.

August 7th 1866

John L. Curd
and others.

Recommending the
appointment of
James F. Foster as
Agent of Calloway
County.

And Norway, they are...
 We the undersigned Citizens of Callaway
 County, most respectfully represent to the
 authorities that it would be greatly to
 the interest of the Citizens of Callaway
 County to have an agent of the Freed-
 men's Bureau in this County desire
 that one be appointed believing
 it to the interest the Freedmen of this
 County and also to the Citizens of Callaway
 County we most respectfully recommend
 James F Foster as suitable person for
 such agent he being gentleman of
 honesty probity and good demeanor
 and believing he could give full
 and complete satisfaction to all concern-
 ed

John L. Good
 J. M. Wilkinson
 C. P. Payne
 H. H. Good
 W. S. Bourland
 E. J. Davis
 Ralph Petty

Benton Ky
 Aug. 16. 1866.

Major Donovan-

I am again to write the
 person above named who reside in
 Callaway County they are highly respect-
 able and good Citizens they recommend
 Mr Foster with whom I have been

a short acquaintance, I have no doubts
of his qualification, since they
have been rendered his
Lucy Anderson

Bot Brig Genl Jno C. Ely
Louisville Ky Aug 15th 1866

Forwards invoice
and receipts for
stationary forward
ed on the 14th inst.
Asks that receipts
may be signed
and returned
as soon as possible

Louisville, Ky
August 15th 1866

Respectfully
Yours
J. C. Ely

P. O. S. O. Aug 17th

General Inquiries, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY

Louisville, Ky. Aug: 15th 1866.

Major Jno. H. Donnan.
Chief Capt North Western Sub Dist
Paducah. Ky.

Major:

I have the honor to
enclose herewith Quarters Receipts of Stationery forwarded
to you on the 14th inst.

Please sign Receipts and
return them to this Office as early as possible.

Very Respectfully
Yours Obit. Secy.

Sincerely
Edw. J. Donnan
1st Dist. 1st Div. Freedmen & Abandoned Lands.
Chief Capt. State of Ky.

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Bogard W A

Goldsmith Road Aug 17 1866

Regarding certain

inquiries and others

which was told

to me by Mr

Goldsmith

is as follows

and which was

given to me

by Mr Goldsmith

is as follows

and which was

given to me

by Mr Goldsmith

is as follows

and which was

given to me

by Mr Goldsmith

is as follows

and which was

given to me

by Mr Goldsmith

is as follows

and which was

given to me

by Mr Goldsmith

is as follows

and which was

List of Robert's

Baylis Bell Lead

John Finley

Bruce Cunningham

J G Cunningham

Joseph Boyd

Mar Ingram

These are all the names I could

find out & I will give the

names of all the witnesses

to you

Joseph Jefferson

Dr. H. M. Clark

James Boyd

James Finley

Richard M. Hinds

Nathan Wallace

W. L. Hugard Esq

and many others

who were present

at the time

of the trial

and who were

present at the

trial of the

case of the

people of the

state of the

people of the

state of the

people of the

Golden Pond Ky

Aug 1866

Major Donovan

Sir I sent one of
 the Freedmen to Esq
 Fugate and made complaint
 that he was robbed
 of a ~~gun~~ and that
 he wanted the robbers
 arrested and he refused
 to do anything to do
 with them. The man
 that was shot died
 and he is the only one
 that I could swear to
 but I will send you
 a list of witnesses that
 will swear to this I
 will send you ~~and~~ a
 List of more witnesses
 as soon as I can find
 such as will be of
 service

you will please bring
 suit against Serib
 Gentry for a pistol that
 he has in his possession
 that was stolen from
 Isaac Johnson a Freedman
 Witness Thomas Shelton
 Josh Hopson it was
 Isaac Johnson house that
 was robbed of a gun
 and they attempted to
 to enter Nathan &
 Louis & Ned Hopson
 house and one of them
 got shot
 W. A. Bogard

WARR 215
Cly Pot Brig Cml Ho
Louisville Ky Aug 14 1866
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Davis, J. C.

Asst. Commissioner.

Instructs Major
Donovan to dis-
charge Thomas
Wilson, employed
as orderly at his
Head Quarters.

Authorizes Major
Donovan to use one
of the soldiers as
orderly.

A. C. S. O. Aug 17

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands.

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., August 14th 1866.

Maj John H. Donovan,
Chief Supt of Paducah Ky.

Major,

I am directed by Brig Maj Gen Jeff B. Davis, Asst Comr, State of Ky., to instruct you to discharge Thomas Wilson, employed as Orderly at your Head Quarters,

You are authorized to use one of the soldiers, on duty at your Head Qrs, as orderly, (when necessary;) in place of Thomas Wilson.

I am, very respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,

Wm L. G. G.
Brig Genl U. S. A.
Chief Supt.

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Bottom St James St
Columbus Ky
August 18th 1866

Regarding the forwarding
ing of destitute
freedmen to Louisville
Head Quarters
of Major Donnan.

Recd Aug 20th

Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands
Office, Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Cos., Ky.
Columbus, Ky. Aug. 18th 1868.

Maj. John H. Donoran,
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub-District, Ky.

Maj.:

I have the honor to report
to you that I shall forward to your Head Quarters all
the cases of destitute freedmen, ^{my name I have forgotten to say} that I am able to, on the
first boat that passes here which runs to or by Paducah.
As near as I can learn there will not be one until Wednes-
day next, I have but five to send viz: Isaac Newton,
Charity, Mar. Sally, Emerson, Sarah Brown & Rachel
Summers. The friends of Mr. Alison. have taken him
to Tennessee, and intend to take care of him, Hannah
Spicer has died since I forwarded their names, Louisa
Gaudersdale has two sons, very lately, from the army and
they wish her to live with them, and she says she cannot
leave them, Andrew Webb has just received a letter from
a long absent son in Iowa. who wishes him to come
and spend the remnant of his days with him, Nelson
Carpenter & Oribin Anderson are living in Fulton County,
and my health being so poor, and having all that I have
been able to attend to here, I have not been there, but have

written twice to the authorities there and have received
an answer that said Freedmen are not willing to break
up old associations, much preferring to remain where
they are, to going any where among strangers,
I have not raised funds enough yet to pay their expenses
to Paducah, but think I shall be able to before next Wednes-
day, for the Major told me to day that he would try
to have the city council appropriate enough to supply
the deficiency, I never labored so hard to raise a little
money before in my life, Many an answer I have had
like this I am not going to pay out any money to
transport the damned niggers over the country,
And on showing the communication of Col. Brig. Genl.
John, C. regarding the raising of funds to pay expenses to Pa-
ducah, where it speaks of it as a humane and Christian
Charity, Ah! say they, that has played out with the nig-
ger we have lost enough by, and with them now, But
I think if my health is spared I shall bring all right in-
spite of opposition and forward them at the time sta-
ted.

I am Major,

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

James F. Patton,

2nd Lieut. 15th Regt. V. R. C.
Supt. &c.

R. B. S. Co, Aug. 25th, 1864

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text at the top of the page, possibly a header or address.]

By the undersigned, I will present to you a plan that
I have devised, and I am sure it will be made of -
I am not aware of what rule of proceedings
you have adopted in such cases. But I send you
the Affidavit to show the facts of the case, and
a Petition in order to bring the said before
you. It is not my wish to attempt to bring
before you any thing or the contrary -
If you will send me a summons on the
Petition, directed to the Sheriff of Christian County
or in blank, to any other person, I will try and
make it all up. The Black will try and
have it rejected. I want Thomas Baker and
Newton Payne summoned as witnesses -
Our Bureau has been since Nov 8th I am
in the hands of and under the control of
persons opposed to the Bureau - and the
bondsmen are badly dealt with here.
The bondsmen generally secured (and by)
many are creating a difficulty with the
Bureau and when no white person is present
they are kept off without pay - there is hardly
any one who do not come to me making
complaints - and I have to send them home
without being paid their fees - two have in today
been on the way - with respect your friend
D. S. Hays

[Vertical handwritten note on the left margin:]
I am not a bondman but I am a free man. I am not a bondman but I am a free man. I am not a bondman but I am a free man.

[Vertical handwritten note on the right margin:]
I am not a bondman but I am a free man. I am not a bondman but I am a free man. I am not a bondman but I am a free man.

War Department

Friedman's Bureau for the District of Kentucky
Companys of the Guaranties of Christian - Briggs - Ligon
& others -

Mary Henrys Plaintiff
against Petition
Robert Baker Defendant

The plaintiff Mary Henry, a Woman of color
states that on the 7th day of August 1866 at the House
of Mr Newton Payne in Christian County the
Defendant Robert Baker unlawfully assaulted her and
bruised her by knocking her down with a Tobacco
stick and beating her after she was down - and by
force compelled her to go to Peter Bakers in Briggs
County on the same day where the Defendant
again unlawfully assaulted and severely lacerated
the plaintiff back with switches - so as to make
the blood flow freely -

wherefor she prays Judgment for five hundred
Dollars damages for said injury and for other proper
relief -

Mary Henry

State of Kentucky, Christian County

Mary Henrys says she believes the statements of the
forgoing petition are true Mary Henry

Suborn to before me by Mary Henrys this 10th day of
Aug 1866

A. Helark, D.C.,
Christian Circuit Court

State of Kentucky

Christian County } 15

Personally appeared Mary Henry, all woman of color
and being duly sworn by the undersigned State on oath
that about the middle of January last she hired
herself to Peter Baker of Trigg County Kentucky
for which he promised to pay her seventy eight
dollars for her services the 1st of the year - if she
agrees with and if not in that proportion -
that on the 2^d day of August, the Baker threatened
to whip her and she left home to Mr. Paynes
in Christian County to whom she hired
herself that while at Mr. Paynes in Christian
County on Tuesday the 7th of August Robert Baker
and Thomas Baker sons of Peter Baker came
to Mr. Paynes armed with pistols and knocked
her down with a large tobacco stick and beat her
after she was down - and forced her back to
Trigg County and when near their father
where the said Robert in the presence of
his brother severely lashed with switches
the affiant and threatened at the same time
if held on there they would whip her
again - Robert Baker is a returned Rebel
the other Bro Thomas Baker stood by and witnessed
all the whippings - the affiant is a runaway
slave to obtain freedom from the Bondman Bureau

AUG 10th 1866. Mary ^{her} Henry
mark

Sworn to before me by Mary Henry this 10th
10th of August 1866.

A. H. Clark D.C.
Christian Circuit Court,

W. G. Woodruff
Empire Iron Works
August 22 1866

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Makes inquiries
as regards pay. &c.

Aug 25

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Empire Iron works
Trigg Conn Ky Aug 21, '66

Major

I am still dead. I had thought I would
of had the pleasure of seeing you ear this.
Major I understand that ~~you~~ Congra has made
an appropriation for the Bureau. R. I. & A. I
I would ask will a portion of that be taken
to pay the agents. if so will I be able
to draw pay for the time. I have served
please give me an answer as soon as convenient
as I have not received any pay. it is true
Mr Skillman & Sons guaranteed me my pay
or in other words if the Bureau did not
pay me they would. so you see I will
have to have an understanding with
or settlement with the Bureau. before
I can have one with Mr Skillman
& Sons. please give this your attention
and Oblige

most Respectfully
(signed)

your Obdt. Servt.
W. G. Woodruff

To
Major John S. Donovan
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub Diet Ky

DD
I still hold the Books & c.
waiting your orders
W. G. W.

Ed. C. Starks & others
Murray Ky Aug 10/66

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Regarding the
appointment of
an Agent.

R. L. S. O. Aug. 25th /66

Andrew Mayes.

Murray Ky
Dec 14 1866

Major J H Donovan
Paducah Ky

Dear Sir

There is now a Petition in our County
for the appointment of an agent of
this Bureau, it will be sent to you
or some of the Authorities and to
defeat same we take this mode of doing
so Major in the first place the petition
is for one of the rankest rebels in our
County and in the next it is gotten
up by the worst rebels in our County
they are trying to have this man
appointed to keep you from appointing
some loyal man of the County. now
Major we take pleasure in recommending
to you one of our best citizens and one of
the few Union men of our County for
the office Mr W. H. Daily is the man
we have selected and he is a man
that will do the thing that is right
we assure you of that fact. Major we
would of drawn up a petition and

got the Union men of the county to
 assigned it though we heard this
 through a friend after they had the
 petition circulated among the rebels
 and ready to send off the man
 they set up is one (Franklin Price)
 oh how bitter he is they are now boasting
 of having the whole thing in their
 hands soon and it is true if they
 get the officers of the Govt they will
 have it they have already got the county
 offices filled up with Rebels now
 Major if you can do any thing for us
 we will take it as one of the greatest
 favors you could confer upon us
 Hoping to hear from you soon we
 are Respectfully Yours

Oct. 6. Starks

Differences for
 Mr. Daily's Politics
 Major G. F. Barnes
 Mrs. Anderson
 of your city

M. Bowmans
 J. B. Enslin
 W. W. Starks

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 J. R. R. J. & L.
 Office Supt. Ballou & H. H. H.
 Boston Co. V. H.
 Columbus Aug 26/66

Bolton Dr James J.
 Supt

Reports the action of
 the Civil Authorities in
 finding Children of Freed
 = m. w.

R. L. S. D. Aug 26/66

Bureau, Refugee, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands
Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Cos, Ky.
Columbus Ky, August 27th 1866

Major John H. Donovan,

Chief Supt. N. W. Sub-Dist Ky.:

Paducah Ky.:

Major:

I have the honor to
report to you what ^{comes} the civil authorities are pursuing
in some parts of my superintendency in apprenticing
colored children. A colored woman by the name of Mary
Renolds formerly a slave of a Mr. S. M. Tisdale of Ed-
lard Co. Ky. sometime last fall, being free, left her former
Master and went to the City of Cairo, Ill. leaving three
of her children with the said Tisdale, and that on
or about the 18th of July last two of said children
left Mr. Tisdale and made their way to their mother
who was then at work in Ky. opposite the City of
Cairo, Ill. near the river, and that on or about the 23^d
of July last, ^{said Tisdale} applied to the County Court of Ballard
Co. to have said children apprenticed to him, and it
was done, and that said Tisdale forcibly took said
children from their mother, and threatened to blow her
brains out if she ever comes after them. The husband

of said Mary Renalde is step father to the children
 And has leased some land near Metropolis Ill, and
 are very anxious to have their children with them, and
 applied to Col. P. J. S. Schuck, U. S. Army, station-
 ed at Cairo Ill. to assist her in recovering her
 children, from whom, and H. J. Warden Esq. late
 clerk of the County Court of Ballard Co. Ky. I ob-
 tained the foregoing statements.

One Austin Tyler of Fulton
 County Ky. has a colored girl apprenticed to him
 under similar circumstances. The County Court
 claim that by the laws of Kentucky, as passed by
 their last Legislature that they are authorized to
 apprentice colored children in such circumstances
 consequently I refer the matter to you for your
 action or instruction. Almost invariably there is
 no provision made in their indentures for the
 education of the child.

I am Major.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

James F. Bolton
 2nd Lieut. V. K. C.
 Supt. C.

Columbia Ky.

Aug 27 - 1866

James F. Bolton
2nd Lieut. & R. Co.
8th Regt. V.C.

Report as to
the ~~condition~~ ^{condition}
of destitute freed
men to the
care of the

Louisville Ky.

R. L. S. D. Aug 26th/66

Bureau. Refugee, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands
Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Cos., Ky.
Columbus, Ky. Aug. 25th 1866.

Major John H. Donovan
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub-Dist, Ky.
Paducah, Ky.

I have the honor to report to you
that I have but four destitute Freedmen to forward to you for the
Asylum at Louisville, Ky. for R. Summers has partially regained
her health and left I know not where. The delay in sending
them is caused partly by delays and refusals of boats, and partly
by delays and refusals of the citizens to contribute means to send
them. I never labored harder to accomplish an object.

I am Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servant.

James F. Ballou
2nd Lt. U. S. A.
Supt. DC.

Mr. May and J. K. Davis
 Asst. Cons State Ky
 Louisville Ky Aug 27 1866

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Instructions as
 to the forwarding
 of communications
 to the Chief Quar-
 termaster, Bureau
 R. F. & A. L.

Ans

Recd Aug 29th 1866

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., Aug 27 1866.

Major Geo. H. Agnew
Supt. North Western Sub-Dist.
Paducah Ky.

Major:

I am directed by Post Maj. Greil
Sgt. C. Davis Asst. Supt. State of Ky. to instruct you that when you
have occasion to forward communications direct to the
Chief Quartermaster Bureau B. F. & L. Washington D.C. to
address the envelope to "Major Greil Co. Howard Commissioner
Bureau B. F. & L. Washington D.C." and mark on the corner of the envelope
"to the Chief Quartermaster".

Unless addressed as above the Bureau
has to pay postage on them.

Please instruct all Commissioned Officers
no letter in the Bureau in your Sub-Dist to comply with the
above instructions.

I am, Major,
Very respectfully,
Yours obt. Servt.

Levi F. Burnett
Lt. R. H. Co. 2nd Regt.

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Duncan M. F. & S.
Office Supt of Crittenden Co
Marion, Mo. 1866

Black J. R. M.
Supt. &c

Forwards Report & Re-
turn for July. asks if
there is any fixed salary
for payment of Supt. &c

NARA 248
Bureau Refugee Freedmen & abandoned Lands
Marion Crittenden County Kentucky
Major Geo. H. Donovan

Sir

I did not
Receive your order of July 24th 1866 until
the 4th of August and was not informed
until then, that Crittenden County had
been added to the Northwestern Sub-District
of Ky.

Hence my Monthly Returns for July have been
forwarded to Head Quarters Louisville Ky. Gen.
Brig. Gen. John Ely and not to you, in com-
pliance with late Regulations.

I forward you now a copy of my Returns
for July with Remarks explanatory of the
situation.

I Have the Honor to be your
Obl^d Servant

N. W. Black. Asst.
Supt Bureau R. F. & A. L.

Bureau Refugees Freedmen & Abandoned Land
 Marion Brittenden County Kentucky
 Major Geo H Donoverd
 Sir

I have the
 Honor to inquire of you if there be
 a fixed salary, as provided to the agency
 of Sub. Asst. Supt Bureau R. F. & A. L.

Upon this subject I have no information
 Will you be pleased to inform me at
 your earliest convenience

I am very respectfully your
 obt Servt

N. R. Black Asst
 Supt R. F. & A. L.

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Bureau of Land & Survey
Office Asst. Commr. State L.S.
Paducah Ky Sept 8 1866
Davis, J. C.

Chas. H. H. H. H. H.
Chief Asst. State Kentucky

Instructions Major Comman
to offer McNeil the
Superintendency of Galder-
-well Co at a Salary of
\$40 per Month, and that
he will be paid \$50 per
Month from July 1866. and
can retain the receipts of
this office prior to that time
as payment for his services

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. Sept 18th 1866.Major John H. Donovan
Chief Supt. Paducah Ky.

Major.

I am directed by Brig Major Genl Jeff B. Davis Asst Comr State of Kentucky, to acknowledge receipt of your endorsement dated Sept 3^d 1866, on letter from W. B. Noel Supt of Lyon & Trigg Counties Ky dated August 15th 1866. and in reply to inform you that you are authorized to appoint him Supt for Caldwell County at a salary of Fifty Dollars per month, in case he will accept the position.

He will be paid Fifty Dollars per month from July 1st 1866, and will be allowed to retain the receipts of his office in payment for his services prior to July 1st 1866.

Please inform this Office of all changes among Supts in your Sub Dist as soon as they are made.

I am, very respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,


Brig Genl U. S. Galt
Chief Supt.

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Bureau R. Y. & S. D.
Asst Comm. Office State Ky
Louisville Ky Sep 10 1866
Davis, J. C.

Col John. Bt Brig. Genl
Chief Suplec.

Acknowledges receipt
of Quartermasters returns
for August 1866. instructs
Major Donovan to erase
from his return copy the
stationary purchased
from Grundy & Co and
State that receipts same
will be forwarded -
in due time

Recd Sept 13th 1866
J. C. Davis

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. Sept 10th 1866.

Maj John H. Donovan,

Chief Supt &c Paducah Ky.

Major,

I am directed by Brt Maj Gen Jeff B. Davis, Asst Comm State of Ky, to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated Sept 2^d 1866, enclosing your Return of Quartermasters Stores for the month of August 1866 and requesting that vouchers be made out for the stationery purchased by you of Grundy & Co amounting to \$5.55, and in reply to inform you that the stationery referred to has been erased from your Returns, at this Office.

A check for the stationery will be sent to Grundy & Company in a few days, at which time Invoices and Receipts will be sent to you, so that you can account for the stationery in your Return of Quartermasters Stores for September 1866.

I am, very respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant.

J. L. Kelly

Brig Genl U. S. A. Chief Supt.

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Bureau of Y. and A. S.
Office Asst. Commis State Ky
Louisville Ky Sept 17/66

Davis, J. C.

Col. John H. Big Gul
Chief Supt.

States that Major Donnan
action in not permitting
Corporal Enright to be
confined by the Civil au-
thorities in the County
Jail is approved by
H. Major Gul J. C. Davis

Recd Sept 21st 1866

NARA 247

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. Sept 13th 1866.

Maj John H. Donovan
Chief Supt^c Paducah Ky.

Major,

I am directed by Post Maj Genl Jeff B. Davis Asst
Comm State of Kentucky, to acknowledge receipt of your
letter dated Sept 4th 1866, relative to the case of Corp
Patrick Enright Co "E" 2^d U. S. I. who was arrested and fined
by the civil authorities of Paducah, for disorderly conduct,
and requesting to be informed whether your action
in preventing his being confined in the jail was proper,
and in reply to inform you that your action in
this case is approved by the Assistant Commissioner.

I am, very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant,

J. C. Culley
Post Brig Genl U. S. Fols
Chief Supt

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Bureau R. F. D. A. L.
Office, Chf. Supt. W. H. S. Dist. Ky.
Paducah Ky. Sept. 10. 1866.

Davis, J. C.
Sly John
Brt. Brig. Genl U.S.A.

Forwards Communication to
Majr. Genl. Donoran Chf Supt.
W. H. S. Dist. Ky. enclosing Special
orders No 64 for transportation for
Martha Dobb (Colored) aged
16 yrs. from Paducah Ky to
Louisville Ky. for the purpose
of admitting her into Hospital
States that the Colored woman
named Long 20, & the unknown
Colored woman mentioned in
letter of Augt 29, 1866 cannot
be admitted in the Refugee &
Trachman's Hospital.

Recd Sept. 15th 1866
O. C. F. W. H. S. Dist. Ky.

Bureau R. F. D. A. L.
Chf. Supt. W. H. S. Dist. Ky.
Paducah Ky. Sept. 16/66.

Respectfully referred
to Brt. Capt. H. J. Summers
A. G. W. U. S. A. who is
directed to issue, trans-
portation as named
in Special orders No 64.

By order of
Brt. Maj. General
Jeff. C. Davis
Asst. Commissioner
State of Kentucky,

Signed, Genl. Donoran
Majr. U. S. A. Chf Supt.

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NARA 249

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. Sept 10th 1866.

Maj John H. Donovan
Chief Supt & Paducah Ky.
Major

I am directed by Brig Maj Genl Jeff B. Davis
Asst Comm State of Ky to enclose herewith order for
transportation for Martha Todd, (Colored), aged 16 years,
from Paducah to Louisville Ky. for the purpose of
admitting ^{her} into the Refugee & Freedmen's Hospital situated
cor 15th St & Broadway in this City.

The colored woman named Long, aged 20, and
the "unknown" colored woman, mentioned in letter
from your Office dated Aug 29th 1866, cannot be
admitted in the above named Hospital, there
being no means for taking care of insane persons.

I am, very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant,

John R. Ellis
Brig Genl U. S. A.
Chief Supt.

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Bureau R. & A. S.
Office Act Comm State Ky
Louisville Ky Sept 15/66
Davis, J. C.

Ey Two Chf Spt res -
Bt Wuy Genl USN

Superior Major Donovan
Chf Consolidated
Monthly Return of Gr M
Stn will not in future
be required

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. Sept 18th 1866.

Maj John H. Donnan.

Chief Supt &c Paducah Ky.

Major.

I am directed by Brig Maj Gen Jeff B. Davis, Asst
Comr State of Kentucky, to acknowledge receipt of
your Consolidated Return of Quartermasters Stores for
the month of August 1866. and to inform you
that this Return is no longer required.

I am, very respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant.

Wm. L. L.

Brig Gen U. S. A. Chief Supt.

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Juraw R. Y. & A. S.
Office Apt Commis State Ky
Louisville Ky Sept 12th 1866

Col Josiah H. Sig. Genl
Chief Supt &c

Forwards receipts for
stationary purchased
from Grady & Co in
August. requests that
they be signed and re-
turned

Recd Sept 21st 1866

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky.

Sept. 18 1866.

Major J. H. Donnan
 Chief Capt. R. W. Cat Dist
 Paducah Ky.

Major:

I have the honor
 to acknowledge receipt of
 Stationery purchased from Hunsley & Co.

Please sign receipts
 & return them to this Office at your earliest
 convenience.

Very Respectfully
 Your obt. Serv.

Wm. H. Hays
 Dep. Dir. Genl. U.S.
 Dist. Capt. State of Ky.

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Smithland Ky.
Sept. 8. 1866

J. W. Burt. or
J. W. Bark.

Sept. 8. 66

Smithland Ky. Sept. 8. 1866

Major Donnan

Paducah Ky.

Sir: Yours of the 4th inst
was recd only a few minutes before the arrival
of the boat, and my reply was hastily
written and not so explicit as it should

Sept. 8. 65

Smithland Ky. Sept 8. 1865

Major Donovan

Paducah Ky.

Sir: Yours of the 7th inst. received only a few minutes before the arrival of the boat, and my reply was hastily written and not so explicit as it should have been. The particulars of the whole transaction were as follows:—

The court convened, W. P. Fowler presiding, and the Grand Jury was empanelled. Judge Fowler instructed the Grand Jury that the act establishing the Bureau was unconstitutional, and that if the Supt. of the B. R. Land A. S. for Livingston Co. or his Sheriff had collected any money or made any arrests by virtue of said Bureau authority, they should be indicted for said acts under a Statute of Ky. passed by the last session of the Legislature, which Statute declares that all persons who make arrest or collect money without warrant of law shall be confined in the Penitentiary 10 and 20 years respectively. The Grand Jury then acting under these instructions indicted J. Bond Thompson and J. Littlefield, the Supt. and Sheriff of the Bureau for violating said Statute. Said violation consisted in the execution of the Bureau law in protecting certain freedmen from violent abuse by white persons. After the indictment produced in court I filed a Demurrer to the jurisdiction of said court claiming that said Court had no right

to try said action that said Thompson was
 a U. S. Officer executing U. S. laws. Said
 Demurrer was overruled by Judge Fowler.
 The court then instructed the Sheriff to take
 into custody said Thompson and Littlefield
 by virtue of said indictment. The Sheriff
 refused to act only by authority of regular
 Bench Warrant, which was granted and
 C. Littlefield was placed under arrest,
 Thompson not being found. I then filed
 a petition for the removal of Littlefield
 case to the U. S. Circuit Court which
 petition was awarded. Said Littlefield
 was then caused to execute bond, in
 default of which was to go to jail. To
 avoid the last contingency he executed
 the bond in the sum of \$100. The same
 steps were taken in the damage suit
 of Summers against Thompson and Little-
 field, except that I joined Thompson
 with Littlefield in all the proceedings
 of said action. The last named case
 would have been forced to a trial had
 I not filed affidavits that justice
 could not be obtained for said defendants
 in this county. Upon which a change of
 venue was granted to Crittenden Co.
 Said case is now ready for the action of the
 U. S. Circuit Court. There were no proceedings
 had in the criminal actions more than those
 named. Thompson not being present I could
 not file his application for removal.

Respectfully,
 J. B. B. atty.

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Madisonville Ky
Sept 12 1866

Recd. J. W. Co
Sept 10

Resigning his position as Supt
of Egan & Trigg Co Ky

Madisonville Ky
Sept 22nd 1866

Maj John H. Durman

Sept 9th

Paducah

Ky

Sir

Enclosed you will please find my resignation directed to Brig Genl John Ely. The amount of Compensation I am getting would not justify me to remain Sept any longer. Therefore in respect to my family I have thought proper to resign. I have written to Genl Ely but have not as yet received any answer in regard to pay for my services. My appointment dates from some time in April. If I am entitled to any Compensation for my services I would be glad to receive it. My affectionate regards under me will be kindly remembered and appreciated by your humble servant.

Respectfully
Your obedient servant
W C Noel
Sept 9th

Madisonville, Ky.
Sept. 12 " 1866
W. C. Noel.

Maidenhead Ky
Sept 12th 1866

Brig Genl John Ely
Amesbury
Ky

Sir

Owing to the Condition of
my family I am Compelled to resign my Positi^{on}
as Supt B R Y & A L for the Counties of Lyon
& Lizz Ky - Your Honor will please
accept the same -

Respectfully
Your Obedient
Servant
W. C. Root
Supt &c

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Murray
Sept 11 1866

Foster James

Mak's application for
the appointment as Supt
of Holloway Co KyMurray Ky. Sept 18.
Maj John H. Donivan.

Friend

You told me. When
I made Application
for an Agency. of the
Bureau. That you did
not know whether you would
Appoint any more Agts
or not. on account of its
costing. too much. to
furnish an Agent with
an office. I have got
an office which will
cost me nothing. In fact
they need an officer in
this County. about half
of the Negroes is going
to be out of employment
this fall. and I am ^{nearly} out
of employment. and a poor

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Boy besides and as good
Union Boy as ever should
a gun I will say no
more. only if you give
it to me I will faithfully
discharge my duty
please let me hear immediately
so as I can prepare

Truly yours
James Foster

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Bureau N.Y. & S.
 Apt Comm. Office State Ky.
 Sept 25 1866

Chy Post Reg Genl Pro
 Chy Post State Kentucky

Forwards Check in pay-
 ment of Major Donovans
 Postage for the Month of
 August & September 1866

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., Sept 3rd 1866.

Waf. Wright - Royce, and
 Chas. Lupton - Lab - Dish
 Hancock by
 Mayor.

I have the honor
 to acknowledge check No 165. of \$10.00. (Depository
 at Louisville Ky. for \$10.00 in payment of your
 account for postage from July 1st to
 Aug. 31st 66.

Please acknowledge the
 receipt of same.

Very Respectfully
 Your Obt. Serv.

John Glynn
 Asst. Secy
 Dist. Ct. State of Ky.

Recd Sept 21 1866

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Bureau R. G. & L.
Asst Commr Office State 144
Oct 6 1866

E. Davis J. L.
Bot Major General
Asst Commr State 144

Acknowledges receipt of
requisitions for Flax Hilliards
and block of (20) new lbs of
candles for use of the guard
for this office.

States the Flax
Hilliards will reach Maj
Donovan in a few days

That the
requisition for candles is dis-
approved and return

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. Oct 6th 1866.

Major John H. Donovan
Chief Supt &c Paducah Ky.
Major,

I am directed by Brt Maj Gen Jeff b. Davis
Asst Comr State of Kentucky, to acknowledge receipt
of your letter dated October 2^d. 1866. enclosing requisition
for one Flag Halliards and block, and requisition for
Ten (10) pounds of candles for the guard at your Head
Qrs for the month of October 1866. and in reply to
inform you that the Flag Halliards will reach you
in a few days, but a block for the same, cannot
be furnished by the L. M. Dept.

The requisition for candles is dis-approved by the
Assistant Commissioner, and is herewith returned.

I am, very respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

Levi J. Burnett.

Lieut &c. b. A. A. A. Genl.

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Paducah Ky
Oct. 1. 1866
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Donovan J. H.
Maj. V. R. C.

Requests to be in-
formed if the vouchers
for rent of his office
can be made up
for several months
on one, or will separate
vouchers for each
month be required

Recd A. C. O. Ky Oct 6. 1866

Bureau Refugee & A. H. L.
Ant. Comm. Office State Ky
Louisville. Oct. 6. 1866.

Respectfully returned
to Maj. J. H. Donovan. V. R. C.

Chief Supdt. N. W. Sub. M. J.

The account for Rent
within referred to can be
made out on one set of
vouchers, but it is preferred
that each month be made
on a separate voucher
if Government.

By order
Maj. Genl. L. F. Davis
Ant. Comm. State Ky

Levi L. Burnett,

Recd 10/27/1866

made per separate,
and if possible each month
separate. - 226

WAR 259
Bureau Refugees Freedmen & Abandoned Lands
Hd Qrs. N Western Sub District of Kentucky
Paducah Kentucky Oct 12 1866
Col. Brig. Genl. Geo. Ely
Chief Supt State of Kentucky
Louisville Ky

General:

I have the honor to report to you that Mr.
W B Baynes the owner of the house in which the
Supt. of McCracken Co and myself occupy offices
will be here in a few days to sign the vouchers for
money due him from this Bureau for rent of said
offices.

I would most respectfully enquire. How
set of Vouchers embracing from July 12th 1866 to Sept 30th
1866 will be paid or must a separate set be made for
each month ~

Yours Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Jas H Donovan
Major 1st Reg Corps
Chief Supt N W Sub Dist of Kentucky

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Bureau R. F. M. & S.
Apt Commis office State
Sonsville N.Y. Oct 9 1886

Col John Bot Bird Genl
Chief Supt State N.Y.

All reports and returns
received from Major
Donovan, must be made
so as to reach the Apt Com-
missioners office B R F M & S
on the 5th Feb 1886

Recd Oct 11 1886

NARA 271

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. Oct 9th 1866.

Major J. H. Denman
Chief of M. S. Sabbs
Paducah Ky

Major:

To enable the Commissioners of this Bureau to make the annual Report of the Operations of the Bureau to the President of the U.S. required by Sec 4 of the Act of Congress approved March 3^d 1865 establishing this Bureau, you are directed to have all the regular Reports and Returns required to be made by you to this Office for the Month of October 1866 to be made so as to reach this Office by the 5th of November 1866.

I am, Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Sincerely
Bt Brig Genl Wm H. Hunt
Chief of M. S.

New York
Office Supt of Customs
Marion Oct 8 1866

Black N. K.
Supt.

Forwards Claims for
arrear for pay and
bounty of. Ed. Biggum
Mindy Cruise Geo. &
Clement. J. Biggum &
Harrison Yukay

Recd Oct 5 1866
Oct 10 1866
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Mr. J. D. [unclear]
 Major V. R. [unclear] Capt
 W. H. [unclear] [unclear] 1863

Major

Sir I have the honor
 to acknowledge the receipt of the
 Book of Printed instructions sent
 forwarded me. Also letter of
 instructions of Wm Fowler A. G.
 Agent Bureau Refugee F. D. C.
 Washington City D. C. hope to
 be able hereafter to conform to
 instructions in the preparation and
 forwarding claims of colored
 Soldiers.

I am Sir
 Yours most Respectfully
 V. R. Black and
 Capt R. H. & A. James

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Bureau Refugee ^{4th} ^{1st} ^{2nd} ^{3rd} ^{4th} ^{5th} ^{6th} ^{7th} ^{8th} ^{9th} ^{10th} ^{11th} ^{12th} ^{13th} ^{14th} ^{15th} ^{16th} ^{17th} ^{18th} ^{19th} ^{20th} ^{21st} ^{22nd} ^{23rd} ^{24th} ^{25th} ^{26th} ^{27th} ^{28th} ^{29th} ^{30th} ^{31st} ^{32nd} ^{33rd} ^{34th} ^{35th} ^{36th} ^{37th} ^{38th} ^{39th} ^{40th} ^{41st} ^{42nd} ^{43rd} ^{44th} ^{45th} ^{46th} ^{47th} ^{48th} ^{49th} ^{50th} ^{51st} ^{52nd} ^{53rd} ^{54th} ^{55th} ^{56th} ^{57th} ^{58th} ^{59th} ^{60th} ^{61st} ^{62nd} ^{63rd} ^{64th} ^{65th} ^{66th} ^{67th} ^{68th} ^{69th} ^{70th} ^{71st} ^{72nd} ^{73rd} ^{74th} ^{75th} ^{76th} ^{77th} ^{78th} ^{79th} ^{80th} ^{81st} ^{82nd} ^{83rd} ^{84th} ^{85th} ^{86th} ^{87th} ^{88th} ^{89th} ^{90th} ^{91st} ^{92nd} ^{93rd} ^{94th} ^{95th} ^{96th} ^{97th} ^{98th} ^{99th} ^{100th} ^{101st} ^{102nd} ^{103rd} ^{104th} ^{105th} ^{106th} ^{107th} ^{108th} ^{109th} ^{110th} ^{111th} ^{112th} ^{113th} ^{114th} ^{115th} ^{116th} ^{117th} ^{118th} ^{119th} ^{120th} 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Bureau. Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands
Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Cos. Ky.
Columbus, Ky. Oct. 12th 1866.

Major John H. Donoran.

Chief Supt. N. W. Sub-Dist. Ky.

Paducah, Ky.

Major.

I have the honor
to forward herewith enclosed a copy of the endorsement
placed upon my Monthly Return of Receipts and Expendi-
tures for the Month of Sept. 1866. received Oct. 8th 1866. Also
Monthly Return of Receipts and Expenditures for Ballard,
Hickman and Fulton Cos. Ky. for the Month of Sept.
1866. I will respectfully state here that I have forward-
ed direct to the office of the Asst. Commissioner on the last day
of each month as directed. But as the blank Returns were
for Expenditures as well as Receipts, and as the endorsement
on my Monthly Return of Receipts and Expenditures, which was
returned to me for correction on the 4th of Oct. 1866, said
nothing about rent, but did about postage accounts I con-
cluded the expense for rent should be on the Return

I am Major
Very Respectfully,
Your Obdient-Servant,
James H. Bolton.
2^d Lt. U. S. A.
Supt. &c.

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 Bureau R. F. A. C.
 Capt Com's Office State P.
 Louisville Ky Oct 9 1866

Coly Ins Bot Brig Genl
 Chief Supt State P.

Forwards Vouchers
 and Receipts for Stationary
 forwarded to Major Donovan
 on the 1st of 9th of Oct 1866
 Also requests that
 he sign and ~~forward~~ ^{return} at
 his earliest convenience

Recd. O.C.S. Am Sub Dist Oct 17 66

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN & ABANDONED LANDS.

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 10. 1866.

Major J. H. Rowan.
 Chief Capt. Little Postum Subst
 Paducah Ky.
 Major:

I have the honor to
 transmit herewith Invoice Receipts of Stationery
 forwarded to you on the 1st of 9th inst.
 Please sign and return Receipts
 to this Office at your earliest convenience

Very Respectfully
 your obt. Serv.

Blair
 1st Lt. Sig. Corps U.S.A.
 Chief Capt. Late of Ky.

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Bureau Refugees & A. S. Bonds
Office Asst Comd State Kentucky
Louisville Oct 12 1866

Davis, J. C.

Col. Pot Brig Genl Geo
asks for the monthly report of
schools. Says they should be
forwarded on the 1st of each
month and directs major
Donovan to instruct this St.
ordnates to that effect.

NARA 279

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN & ABANDONED LANDS,
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., Oct 12th 1866.

Major John H. Donovan
Chief Supt &c Paducah Ky.
Major.

I am directed by Post Major Genl Jeff B. Davis,
Asst Comr, State of Kentucky, to instruct you to forward
to this Office, as soon as practicable, the consolidated
Monthly Report of Schools for your Sub-Dist, for
the month of September 1866.

The School Report should be forwarded promptly,
and at the same time the other regular reports
are forwarded.

You are directed to issue such instructions to
your Subordinates, as will prevent delay in making
the report referred to in the future.

I am, very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant,

John S. Vol.
Post Brig Genl W. S. Vol.
Chief Supt.

B. J. [unclear]

Bureau R. F. A. [unclear]
Office Asst Com. State Ky
Louisville 7th Oct 1876

Chas. W. Root Brig Genl
Chief Supt. State Ky

Requests that the [unclear]
of Judge Fowler in the case
of [unclear] Thompson be forward
ed to him

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN & ABANDONED LANDS.

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., Oct 16th 1866.

Maj John H. Denovan,

I am directed by Genl Dug
Genl John C. Chief Supr, to request you to
forward to this office, a newspaper containing the
decision of Judge Fowler deciding the Bureau Bill
unconstitutional, in the J. Bond Thompson case.

We want it to file in this office.

I am, very respectfully,

Yours Obedt servant

Levi J. Burnett

Lieut U. S. A. A. A. Genl.

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Office of the Comm State Sup
Cincinnati 4th Oct 1862

Ely Linn Post Brig Genl
Chief Supt State Kentucky

Send Services & Receipts
for "one" Half and for the
request that the receipts
be signed and returned

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN & ABANDONED LANDS.

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 16, 1866.

Major Geo. H. Doursey.
Chief Capt. H. R. Cat. Dist.
Presented by:

Major:

I have the honor to transmit
herewith Carrier's Receipt of One (1) flag Halliard
turned over to you on the 6th inst.

Please sign Receipt and
return same to this Office at your earliest convenience

Very Respectfully
Yours Obedt Servt.

John L. Lally

1st Lt Regt U.S.A.
1st Lt (State of Ky)

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Bureau R. Y. & A. S.
Office Apt Comm's State T. Y.
Oct 26th 1866

Davis, J. C.

Ely John
Bot Brig Genl. Chf Suptre

Requires that all reports
and returns ^{for Oct} of this office
be forwarded to Hd
Qrs so as to enable the Com
missioner State of T. Y. to make
out his Annual Report -
by the 5th of Nov 1866

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. October 26 1866.

Major John A. Donovan, U.R.C.
Chief Supdt. N.W. Sub-District.
Paducah, Ky.
Major

In order to complete and forward to the Commissioner B.R.F. & Lands, Wash. D.C. the report in regard to the number of Murders, &c., of White Unionists Freedmen, &c. in this State at once. I am directed by Bt Maj Genl J. C. Davis, Asst. Commr State of Ky. to request that you will forward the report of your Sub-District as required by Cir N^o 9 A.C. State of Ky Sept 28. 1866. to this Office with the least delay practicable.

I am, Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

John R. R.

Bt Brig Genl U.S.A.
Chief Supdt. &c. &c.

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Bureau of War & S.
Office Chief Supt State Kentucky
Louisville Ky Oct 29th 1866
Davis, J. C.

Col. Geo. B. Frig. Genl
Chief Supt State of Kentucky

Forwards Copy of Inducement
placed on Major Donorans
Communications of the 8th
Inst. asking for assignment
of two or more Commissioned
Officers, in the 1st West 1st
Dist of Ky. States that there
are no Officers that can be
assigned to said place for duty

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

HEAD-QUARTERS SUB-DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY

Louisville, Ky.,

October 29th 1866.

Maj John H. Donovan, VRC
Chief Supdt. RR & AL
Paducah, Ky.

Major:

I have the honor by direction of Bt.
Major Genl. J. B. Davis U.S.A. Act. Commr.
State of Ky. to inform you that your Communi-
cation of the 8th inst. requesting the assign-
ment of two Commissioned Officers to your
Subdist. in addition to those already on duty
there... was forwarded to the Commissioner
of this Bureau at Wash D.C. approved and
by him recommended and forwarded to the
Secretary of War. by whom it is returned
to this Office with the following endorsement

War Dept. A.G.O. Oct 22 66

" Respectfully returned. There are now no Officers
" of the Veteran Reserve Corps for assignment.

(Signed) Thomas M. Vincent

Act. Adjt. General.

I am, Major,
Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,
John Ely
Brig Genl US Army

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Columbus, Ky.
Oct. 27th 1866

Bolton, J. F.
2nd Lieut. V.R.C.
Dept. &c

Reports the progress
he has made in
the investigation &c
in the case of the
murder of John
H. Elliott, colored.

Columbus, Ky.
Oct. 27th 1866

James F. Bolton

Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands
Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman and Fulton Ky.
Columbus Ky. Oct. 21st 1866.

Major John H. Donoran,
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub. Dist. Ky.
Paducah, Ky.

Major:

I have the honor to report the progress I have made in the investigation &c in the case of the murder of John H. Elliot (Colored) I have learned of two men who were very near the place where the murder was committed at the time the deed was done, a white man and a colored man, both heard the report of the gun. The colored man was coming into town, and Benel Howell and his brother (as I have learned his comrade was) passed him and inquired if he had seen two colored men and a bag passing that way on horseback and passed on, soon after the colored man (whose name is Wesley Wilson) heard the report of a gun, and very soon after that said Benel Howell and brother rode back with the bag. The white man was going from the city, and met these two men who inquired of him if he had met two black men and a bag on horseback. This man (whose name is Edwards) told them he had and that they were but a short distance

When said Benel Howell replied damned it we have
heard these three have, and rode on hastily, soon
after he heard the report of a gun, and very soon after
that these two men came back with a black bag, which
they did not have when they went in, said Benel Howell's
house stands on or very near the line between Hickman
and Fulton Co's Ky, and I am told that a warrant has
been sent to the Sheriff of each County for the arrest
of both men, but they have not been arrested yet to my
knowledge, the civil authorities gave me to understand
the first of this week that they should have them and try
them during the week, I have been told today that there
is evidence coming out against against the colored boys
to the effect that they committed a number of depreda-
tions in some three or four houses in the neighborhood of
said Benel Howell and took some things from the house
of said Howell and that both boys were armed with
many sixes and one had a Colts revolver besides, and that
the boy they went after did not want to go with them, but
they forced him to go, It is very singular that they should
be so long finding out anything of this kind. A lawyer
from the neighborhood of said Howell, has been here
trying to find out what evidence could be found against
the said Howell, he was very private in his business and

these things against the colored boys have been brought for-
ward since said lawyer was here. But still the civil author-
ities say they shall arrest and punish the said Hamells to
the extent of the law, but their residence being so near the
line of the two Counties and they passing from one county
to the other it is very difficult to get them, but I do not see
where the difficulty lies when there are officers in both
counties. Jerry Bird (the colored boy whose affidavit I for-
warded to you) has gone with his father Isaac Overhart and
family to live in Carbondale Illinois. I have been told
by some this evening that the said Hamells had run
away, I will investigate these matters as soon as possible
and report.

I am Major
Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
James H. Balton
Genl. Lt. V. K. C.
Supt. Co,

R. J. G. &
Vice Chf Supt

^I ²¹³
European Refugee ^{St. Louis}
Asst. Comr. Office State of Ky.
Louisville Oct 20. 1866

Respectfully returned
to Maj. John H. Donovan,
Chief Supt. North Western
Sub District Ky. who will
cause the within applica-
tions for bounty &c. to
be corrected in accordance
with the pencil notes
thereon.

By order
Wm. Genl. J. C. Davis
Asst. Comr. State of Ky.

John Ely
Wm. Genl. ~~John Ely~~
Chief Supt. ~~John Ely~~
Enc 1104 1866

to enforce their authority

I am Majors

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant,

James F. Bolton

2nd Lieut. V. R. C.

Supt. V. C.

P.S.

Said George Atterton lives with Mrs. Mary Whites two miles south of Blountsville

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Bureau R. F. A. L.
Office of Capt. M. J. D.

Columbus, Ky.

Nov. 9th 1866

James F. Bolton.
2nd Lieut. V. R. C.
Supt. V. C.

Returns communication of C. L. Cate referred by Major Donovan to him, Oct. 31st 1866, and also refers to Major Donovan a communication of C. L. Cate to him, and reports that he has been in Ballard County investigating these cases.

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Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands
Office, Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Cos, Ky
Columbus, Ky, Nov. 9th 1866.

Major Jno. H. Donovan,

Chief Supt, N. W. Sub. Dist, Ky

Paducah, Ky

Major.

I have the

honor to return herewith enclosed the communication
of C. L. Galt. to you, referred to me, Oct. 31st 1866,
and also to respectfully refer to you a commu-
nication of C. L. Galt, to me dated Milburn
Ky, Nov. 5th 1866; And to report to you that I
have been in Ballard County investigating these
cases, and find that Mary Ellison's two eldest
children have been apprenticed to John B. Ellison,
According to the best information I can get said
John B. Ellison is a worthless drinking character
not a suitable man by any means to have the care
of children, Young the eldest of said Mary Ellison's
children, is still with C. L. Galt Esq (or was yes-
terday, the mother with her other children are with
Mr. Peter Stevens, three miles north of Milburn,
said John B. Ellison, has neither of the children yet

~~not yesterday~~ but his object is to take
 them the first opportunity. As it regards George Ath-
 erton and the binding of his children to Mrs. Pally
 Atherton and her son ^{Wm} Atherton, said George
 Atherton called on me Oct. 29th 1866 and I wrote
 to Mrs. Pally Atherton, but I find it made
 no difference with her or with Judge J. H.
 Storall of Ballard County. For said Pally Ath-
 erton has taken three of said George Atherton's
 children and had them bound to her, and
 had another one bound to her son ^{Wm}
 Atherton, who calculates to move to Tennessee
 in a short time. The communication of said
 G. D. Gate shows the language expressed by
 Judge Storall after reading the note I sent
 to said Pally Atherton, According to the best
 information I can get, said Pally Atherton
 does not half feed or clothe the children she has
 had bound to her and never has nor paid them
 any thing to get clothes &c. for themselves. Thomas
 Rings (Cal) living in Blandville has had two of
 his children taken from him and bound out
 without his or his wife's consent, said Rings appears
 to be well able and calculated to bring up his own chil-

dren. Now are such proceedings to be allowed. I have
 no means at hand to enforce any order or instruct-
 tions, and the County Court of Ballard County appear
 to be determined to trample under foot or disregard
 all orders or instructions of the Bureau are such
 doings to be countenanced, ^{Wm} L. Hendricks a
 good reliable Union man of Blandville Bal-
 lard County. For ~~heard~~ Col. Crosland of the
 late Rebel army, conversing with O. F. Nichols of
 Blandville, Crosland says to Nichols, you are not
 with us are you? Nichols says yes, says Crosland
 are you on our platform? Says Nichols yes, says
 Crosland are you for reenslaving the niggers?
 says Nichols yes, says Crosland I did not know
 that you had come fully on to our platform,
 they then happening to see said Hendricks their con-
 versation ceased. This shows what they have decided
 to do, and the binding of all colored children to
 their former owners, regardless of their fitness
 shows still more conclusively their object and aim.
 I hope that some measures will be adopted if pos-
 sible to put an end to such proceedings, and if
 agents of the Bureau have any authority in
 these matters, they will have the means to

to enforce their authority,

I am Major
Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant,
James H. Patton,
2nd Lieut. V. R. C.
Supt. Co.

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P.S.
Said George Atterton lives with Mrs. Mary Whites two
miles south of Bladenville

James H. Patton
Office of Capt. & Imp. Co.

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Columbus, Ky.

Nov. 9th 1866

James H. Patton
2nd Lieut. V. R. C.
Supt. Co.

Return commencing
tion of E. L. Gate
referred by Major
Duncan to him.
Oct. 31st 1866, and also
refers to Major Duncan
on a communication
from E. L. Gate to
him, and reports
that he has been in
Ballard County on
investigating these cases
W. H. C. H. C.

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Bureau R. F. A. L.
Apt Commis office State Ky
Louisville Ky Nov 1866

Davis, J. C.

Box 1012
Chief of Dept of Ky

Acknowledges the receipt
of a letter addressed
to Judge Flournoy by My
Donovan in relation
to a Colored Woman in
this City who is insane &
destitute, also the judges
indorsement. Orders that transp-
ortation be furnished to
send the Woman to
Louisville Ky

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., November 5th 1866.

Major John H. Donovan
Chief Supt. Paducah Ky.

Major,

I am directed by Post Maj Genl Jeff b. Davis, Asst Com State of Kentucky, to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated October 23rd 1866, addressed to Hon G. Flourney Judge, Mcbracken County Ky. and his endorsement thereon, relative to an insane colored woman named "Long".

If the woman referred to, is not disorderly, and does not require to be confined, or watched, you are at liberty, if you deem it advisable, to forward her to the Refugee & Freedmens Hospital in this City.

An order for transportation is herewith enclosed, to be used for this purpose, if necessary.

I am, very respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

John Ely
Post Brig Genl U. S. A.
Chief Supt.

James E. Jones
of the City of Richmond
Tulley Co. Va.
~~James E. Jones~~
Collector of the

John P. Jones
Jr.

Report in the Case of
The Murder of J. E. Jones
(P. 1)

Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands
Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Hutton ^{at} Ky.
Columbus, Ky. Nov. 6th 1866.

Major John H. Donovan,
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub-Dist. Ky.
Paducah, Ky.

Major:

I have the honor
to inform you that the Murderers of John ¹⁸⁶⁶ Elliot
have not been arrested yet, to my knowledge, but
I am credibly informed that Processes are out against
them by both Magistrate and County ^{Judge} of Hickman
County Ky. According to the best information I can
obtain said murderers are keeping themselves secre-
ted back in the country from their home, where
there is a large forest, I am told, and I have not the least
doubt but that they are well informed of all that
is going on, and have friends in this place on the
lookout for them, and to notify them if any measures
are taken to secure them, I gather enough in conversation
with citizens to justify me in this conclusion.

Therefore I think it would be next to an impossibility
for a detachment of soldiers to go through here and
secure them before they would be notified of it and

make their escape, their friends knowing where they are whilst others do not, as their place of residence is in Mesleze, near the line between Hickman and Fulton Co's, and but a short distance from the line of Graves County. I think the best and only sure course to pursue is for a detective to take the cars at Paducah for Morses, which is on the R. R. that leads from Paducah through Mayfield, and when at Morses he is but a little way from Mesleze, and then if possible he can find out the whereabouts of said murderers, and then a sufficient force could be sent to arrest them, which I think better go in citizens dress, and take the same route of the detective, But if you think best to send a detachment ^{of soldiers} through here I will do all and the best I can, in either case I think the soldiers should be dressed in citizens clothing, and I think I could have a few horses ready if notified when wanted, but I could not probably get many, ^{for there are not few here that would lend horses to me} But I think there would be far more certainty of securing the murderers to come down through Graves County for they would not be looking for any one to arrest them from that direction.

The civil authorities assure me they shall be arrested as soon as possible and have a fair and impartial trial and be punished as they deserve.

that as they keep secreted and dodge from county to county, it is hard securing them, Whoever does arrest them will have to act with great care and promptness for they are on a strict lookout all the time and have others doing the same for them.

I am Major
Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,
James J. Dalton
2nd Lt. U.S.A.
Supt. Co.

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James J. Dalton
2nd Lt. U.S.A.
Supt. Co.

~~Private~~

Col. J. J. Dalton

James J. Dalton

Report in the case of
the Murder of J. J. Dalton

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James R. F. A. G.
Office Supt Co's Ballard
Dickman & Fulton Cos
Columbus Ky Nov 11/66

Bottom James F.
Supt

States that the "Civil
Authority" has taken no
notice of his communication
in relation to the Negroes
Violating Par 6 of C. M. &
Says that he thinks that
it is intentional on the
Part of said authorities
to do all in their power
to degrade rather than to
Elevate the Negro

Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands.

Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Box Ky.
Columbus, Ky. Nov. 11th 1866.

Major John H. Donoran,

Chief Supt. N. W. Sub. District, Ky.

Paducah, Ky.

Major:

I have the honor to report to you that the civil authorities take no notice whatever of the report I made to them of Freedmen living together in violation of Par. 6 Circular, No. 3, Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands, Asst. Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky, dated Louisville, Ky. June 26th 1866. And would respectfully inquire, what course I shall pursue in such cases. There appears to be a class of people here who are looking to the reenslavement of the Freedmen, therefore they do not wish them to take any steps towards binding their freedom, or living like civilized and enlightened people and do all they can to prevent it.

I am Major:

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant:

James H. Patton.

2nd Lieut. V. R. C.

Supts. &c.

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Bureau of Y. & C. S.
Office Supt. Hallard Meliman Hillin Co.
Columbus N.Y. Nov 11th 1866

Boston
Supt
James G.
Hill
Supt. & Co.

Makes application for Grants
for the use of this office

Bureau, Refugee, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands
Office, Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Co. Ky,
Columbus, Ky, Nov. 11th 1866.

Major Geo. W. Donoran,
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub. Dist. Ky,
Paducah, Ky.

Major:

I have the
honor to respectfully request that you forward
to me the following Blanks, Form No. 12:

- (6) Six, No. 27, 2
- (6) Six, No. 28, - 4
- (6) Six, No. 31, 4
- (6) Six, No. 39, 4
- (3) Three, No. 25, 6
- (12) Twelve, No. 17, 6

Department
Quartermaster

Please forward them at your earliest convenience, for I
am in need of some of them immediately.
Please send me also twelve (12) Blank Indentures of appren-
ticeship, and four (4) Blanks, Form No. 3, Pay Department.

I am Major:
Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant,
James H. Patton,
2nd Supt. N. W. Sub.
Supt. Ky.

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James R. Y. A. S.
Office Asst. Comm. State of
Louisiana, N. O.
Davis, J. C.

Chy
93rd Brig. Genl. Pres.
Chy. Capt. &c

Acknowledges receipt
of Major T. J. T. Report
in relation to the case of
Saml. O. W. & S. Anderson
Anderson.

States that he
does Major T. J. T.
in the case. Compliments
him &c &c

Copy

Bureau Refugee, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands
Spt Commissioners Office, State of Kentucky
Covington Ky. Nov 9th 1866

Major John H. Donnell
Chief Supt. Paducah Ky.

Major:

I am directed
by Bot Major Genl Jeff C Davis Spt Comr's State
of Kentucky, to acknowledge receipt of your Report
dated Nov 2nd 1866. of the proceedings in the Case
of Amanda Anderson (Col) vs Samuel Orr (White)
and in reply to say your action in the case
is approved by the assistant Commissioner, who
duly appreciates the difficulty surrounding you
in this Case, and desires me to thank you for
the Courage, ability and Courtesy ^{with} which you acted
in the matter

You are instructed to attend the Court
at Mayfield, when the Case comes up for Trial.
Should the defendant be acquitted by reason
of a non-admission of negro testimony or the

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complainant fail to obtain justice. by reason
of the prejudices in that Community existing
against black people. you will arrest Saml.
Ow. and forward him under guard to the
Military Prison in this City. for trial in the U.S.
District Court under the provisions of the Law
known as the "Civil Rights Bill" and at the same
time forward the witnesses to this office to testify
against him.

If you deem it necessary. you will
call upon Capt A W Krutinger. Comdg Post at
Paducah Ky. for a sufficient guard to aid you in
carrying out these instructions.

I am Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
John Ely
Bot Brig Genl. U.S.A.
Chf. of Staff.

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War Department
Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Office Chief. Or Master
Nov 23rd 1866

Howard O.
per Whittlesy Henry M.
Bt-Brig Genl. Chf Or M

Asks if Major Donovan
returns for October are
for Or M Stores or for
Property B. R. F. & A. S.
if for Or M Stores an
extra copy must be
forwarded for his
office file

Nov 25th 1866

War Department.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
OFFICE CHIEF QUARTER-MASTER.

Washington, Nov 23^d 1866

Maj J. H. Donovan

V.R.C. Supt &c

Paducah Ky

Major

You will please inform this office whether your Returns for October 1866 are of Bureau, or of Quartermaster's Stores, and if of Q.M. Stores an additional copy for file in this office is required

By order of Maj Genl O O Howard

Commissioner

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant

Henry M. Mitchell
Ch. Qu. Genl and Chief Q.M.

Received Office C.D.O.Bu.R., F. & A.L.

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Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Office, Dept. Livingston Co
Smith, Bond & Co. Nov 29/66

Thompson & Bond
Dept. re

Forwards acknowl-
edgment of Chas R. from
Genl. City - for his salary
for the months of Sept
and October 1866 for
\$100.00

Recd Dec 1st 1866

Office Bureau P & I and A. S.
Smithland Ky. Nov. 29th 1866.

Major John H. Donovan
Chief Supt. N. W. Lab. Dist.

Sir:-

I have the honor
to forward enclosed letter of acknowledgement to
Brig. Gen. John Ely for \$100.00 in pay-
ment for my services for the months of Sept.
and Oct. 1866. In Gen. Ely's letter of remittal
I am instructed to forward my vouchers at the
end of each month. In order that I may be
able to carry out these instructions I most res-
pectfully request of your Honor to have the
kindness to send me some blank Vouchers.

Will you also have the kindness to send me
two or three blanks for Report of Persons and
Property Employed and Hired &c. I have all
other blanks necessary for the use of my
Office. — I am, Sir

Very Respectfully
Yours Obedt. Servt.
J. Bond Thompson

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SR No 241

War Department
Bureau R. F. & C.
Office Chief Quartermaster
Washington Nov 27 1866

Col — John
Bvt Brig Genl —
Chief Supt &c

Forwards Letter of Bvt
Brig Genl Henry W. Whit-
they, requesting that
officers forwarding re-
turns of Bureau Stores
shall so designate on
the return.

Recd Dec 1 1866

WAR DEPARTMENT
Bureau of Refugee, Indigent and Abandoned Lands
Office Chief Quartermaster
Washington Nov 27. 1866.

Post Brig Gen John Ely
Chief Supt State of Ky.
Louisville Ky.

General:

You are requested, in future before transmitting any Officers Property Accounts to this Office, that you will cause such Officer to plainly mark his Returns as Property belonging to this Bureau, if such is the fact and not previously so designated by him

By order of Major Gen O. O. Howard Comr

Very respectfully

Your obt Servt.

(signed) Henry M. Whitley

Post Brig Gen and Chief Dr Mr.

Official copy.

Respectfully furnished for information and guidance of Maj John H. Donovan Chief Supt North Western Sub-Dist, who will cause copies to be furnished to all commissioned Officers under his charge.

Whitley

Post Brig Gen U. S. A.
Chief Supt.

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Gusman R. G. & Co
Office Supt Ballandore
Columbus Ky Nov 25 1866

Gotton James F.
Supt.

Requests that an error
upon his Monthly Return
may be corrected, by
changing all money the
no of marriage Certif-
icates from 5 to 6

Recd Dec 2 1866

Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands -
Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Sts Ky,
Columbus, Ky. Nov. 28th 1866,

Major John H. Donoran
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub. Dist. Ky,
Paducah, Ky,

Major:

I have the honor to respectfully request you, if you find it reported in my Monthly Report for the month of November 1866, six marriage certificates issued to colored persons, to change it to fine, I'm looking over my retained copy this morning I found I had it six, but it should be fine, I had many in my office on business yesterday, who were continually drawing my mind from my Reports.

I am Major

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

James H. Bolton
2nd Lt. U. S. A.
Supt. DC,

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Bureau R. F. & L.
Asst Comm Office State Ky
Louisville Ky Nov 28/66

Davis, J. C.
~~By John Bot. Brig Genl~~
~~Chief Supt. &c~~

Instructions Major D-
to confer with some
good Union Lawyers in
this Dist. who will
accept the position of
Commissioners for the
United States Circuit of
Louisville Dist Court -
for the purpose of trying
Persons charged with
Crimes to Freedom -

Recd Dec. 3 1866

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., November 28. 1866.

Maj. St. Donovan, M.C.

Chief Sup't.

N.W. Sub District Ky.

Paducah, Ky.

Major:

I am directed by St. Maj. Gen. J. C. Davis, U.S.A. Asst. Commissioner State of Ky. to instruct you to confer with some good Union Lawyer in your Sub District (not holding office under the State Government) who would be willing to accept the position of Commissioner for the U.S. Circuit Court from the Hon. Blain Ballard, Judge of the U.S. District Court of the District of Kentucky.

The object to be accomplished is to have a U.S. Judicial Officer at Paducah Ky., before whom parties arrested in your Sub District, for crimes

committed against Freedmen, may be
brought for a preliminary hearing, under
the provisions of the law known as
the "Civil Rights Bill"

Yours Major,

Very Respectfully

Your obedient servant

John E. Ell
U. S. Marshal
Chief Supd. W. C. F.

LR No 245

Mayfield Nov. 30. 1866

Richards John

States that his family
'is' in bad health &
that it is impossible
for him to come to Ta-
dusack at present
asked he cannot for-
ward the proof of his
loyalty as well from
his home as well as
to appear in person

Recd Dec 3rd 1866

Mayfield Ky. Nov 30th 1866.

Mayor. Jno H. Donovan
 Sheriff of Fried-He

Yours of
 the 17th inst is at hand.
 My family now Major is in bad
 health and it is impossible for me to
 leave them at present. I wish to
 know whether the proof can be taken
 in this county and if so what
 kind and degree of evidence
 do you demand. Please answer
 and let me know. I am
 yours and oblige
 Jno H. Richards

Answered Dec. 3. 1866
 Kay

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Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Office Chief Supt State Ky
Louisville Ky Dec 9/66
Davis J. C.

Edw John Post B. & G. L. M.
Chief Supt. &c.

Instructions Capt. Kay-
to forward to the Office
of Asst Commissioners of
the State of Ky - a copy
of all orders assigning
officers to duty in this
but Dist from its organ-
ization and hereafter
at the State such orders
are issued.

Rec'd. Dec 12 1866

NARA 324

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., December 8th 1866.

Bot Captain W. J. May
Chief Supdt
Paducah, Ky.

Captain:-

I am directed by Bot Maj Gen Jeff
C Davis Asst Comr State of Kentucky, to in-
struct you to forward to this Office a copy of
the Order by which Officers reporting to you,
were assigned to duty in this Bureau and
hereafter, at the date thereof. Copies of the
orders assigning Officers to or relieving them
from duty in your Sub-District.

The above instructions are intended
to include all orders assigning and relieving
Army Officers from duty issued at your
Head Quarters from the date it was estab-
lished.

I am Very respectfully
Your Obedt Servt.

Wm Ely

Bot Brig Gen Wm Ely

R 229

James W. F. F. F.
H. Columbus Ky
Dec 6 1866

John. L. James.
Superior

Asks for a supply of
Blanks on which to
make his Dr Mr returns
Also asks for instructions
relative thereto

Recd Dec 9 1866

Dec 1866

NARA 326
Bureau, Refugee, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands
Office, Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton bldg. Ky,
Columbus, Ky. Dec. 6th 1866.

Major John H. Donoran,
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub. Dist, Ky,
Paducah, Ky.

Major:

I have the honor to apply
for the following information, viz:

1st Shall I make out Quartermaster's Returns prior to June
1866, when I received, orders to make out my first Return for
the month of June, and said Return to show the amount
on hand, received, expended and amount remaining
on hand to be accounted for on next Return, if so please
forward a supply of Blanks for Abstracts and Vouchers for
Articles purchased and paid for,

2nd Vouchers for pay of Stationery, purchased in July, have
been forwarded, is it necessary to forward others with
the Returns

3rd I see that Returns of Quartermaster's Stores, are required
to be forwarded in triplicate, is more than one set of
Abstracts and Vouchers required, and as I forwarded one
Return ^{each} for June, July and August, 1866, shall I forward
them in triplicate now,

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I wish to have every thing right now if possible
and not have my Returns returned to me
again.

Please forward me (6) Six Blank Pay Accounts for
cooks and nurses in Freedmen's Hospitals, if you have
them that you can spare. There are a number here that
were in Hospital here in the aforesaid capacities, and
I am informed by the Surgeon that was in charge, that
they can get some back pay due them, now if the
proper accounts are forwarded.

I am, Major,

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

James H. Bolton,

Lt. U. S. A.

Supt. H.

L.R. No 257

General R. F. & L
Office Dept of Livingstons
Smithland Dec 1866

Thompson D Bond
Dept of

Forwards Vouchers
for rent of Office from
Nov 1st to Nov 31st 1866
Amount, \$4⁰⁰

Rec^d Dec. 10th 1866

Office Bureau R. F. and A. L. for
Livingston County Kentucky
Smithland Ky Dec 8th 1866

Major John H. Donovan
Chf Supt N.W. Sub Dist

Major:-

I have the
honor to transmit enclosed Vouchers for the
rent of my Office from November 1st to
November 30th 1866 inclusive at the rate
of four dollars (\$4.00) per month.

Hoping they will prove satisfactory
and that your Honor will forward
them to the proper Authorities for payment.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servant
J. Bond Thompson
Supt L. Co. Kentucky.

SR 253

Bureau of G. & A. L.
Office Supt of Cuttman Co
Marion Dec. 20/1866

Black - NR -
Supt Co

Forwards certified Copy
of his appointment
as Supt. Cuttman Co
Ky and a Statement
of moneys received
and disbursed by him
since his appointment

Rec'd Dec 3 1866

NARA 331
Bureau Refugee Freedmen and A Lands
Marion Crittenden Co, Ky.
Jno. H. Donovan Major and asst. Chief Supt
M. W. Suberhast
Paducah Ky

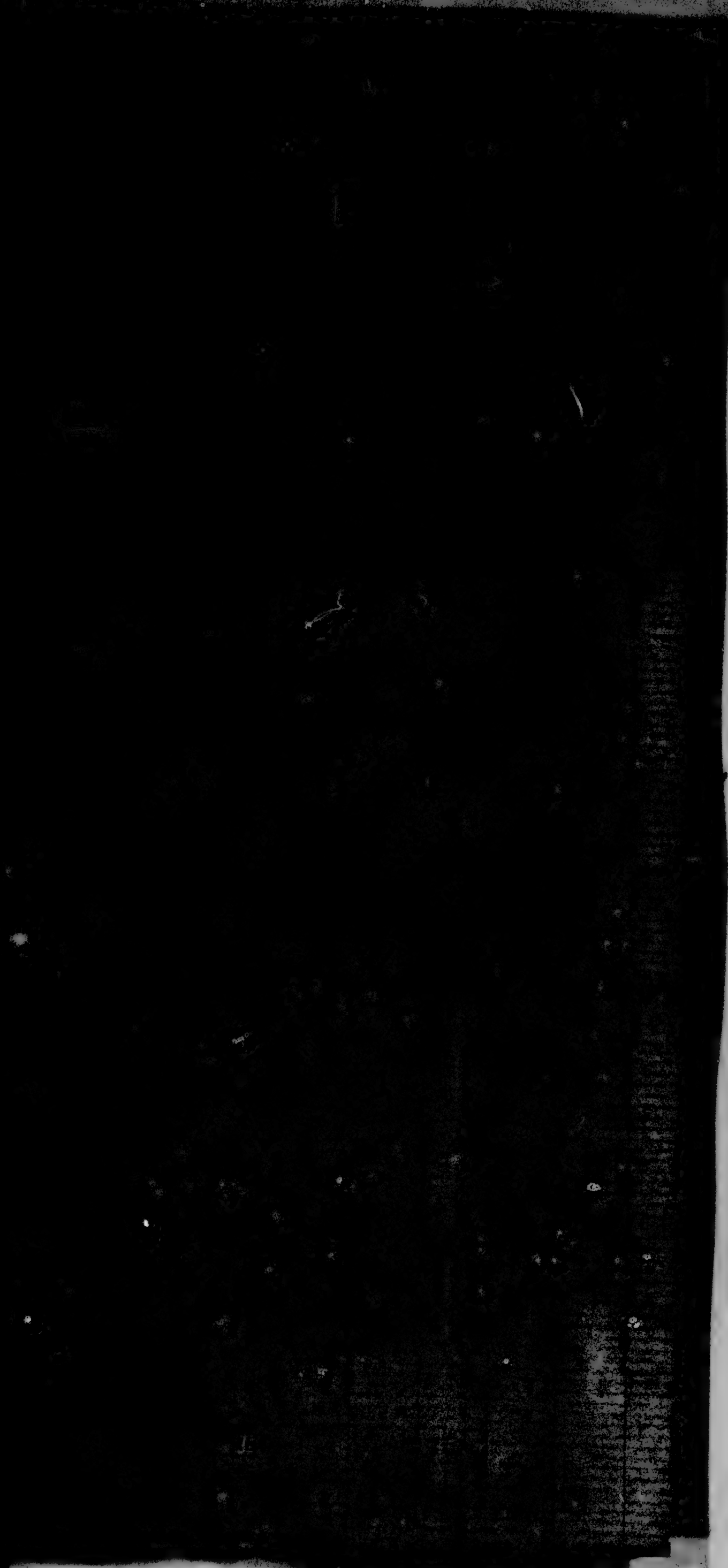
Major

I have the honor herewith to enclose
a properly certified copy of Special Order
No 12 issued by Brig. Gen. Clinton B. Fisk
Asst. Comm. Bureau Refugee Freedmen and A Lands
States of Ky and Tenn. appointing me Superintendent
for Crittenden County, Ky. I hope it is right now
and so prepared as to answer the purpose
intended.

I have the honor to be your
obdt. Servt.

V. N. Black Asst. Supt
Crittenden Co., Ky.

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Paducah Ky Dec 19th 1866.

Major J. W. Dinnan,

Dr Sir.

Having been requested by your order dated Paducah Ky Dec 1st 1866. to appear and make proof of my past and present loyalty for the information of the Quarter Master of the United States, or send proof of same. I would respectfully reply by stating, that I did not conceive at first receiving the notice, what the signification had reference to. I have concluded after reflecting, that the Quarter Master wishes such information in order to decide upon a claim sent on by me. I think nearly twelve months since for pay for forage furnished United States Soldiers when at Paducah during the war. Now if I am correct in my conclusion about the matter, I would say to you that when the claim was fixed up, I proved the correctness and justice of the claim by Messrs W. Wharton, & J. Solomons too as loyal men as are to be found in the county or state. I think I also proved ~~the~~ my own loyalty by the same gentlemen. I therefore conclude that I could not make better proof. If however, I am labouring under any mistake I would respectfully ask for information.

I would say in conclusion, that
for my standing in Tregg county, Ky
I would refer you to Captain Sumner
who I believe lives in or near
Dyersburgs near Smithland. Captain
Sumner commanded Troopers for
some time in my town, also
Lieutenant Shuler. Who was
acquainted with me nearly all
the time of the war. The claim
above referred to is a just one
God knows that. and I trust that
the officers of the Government will
do me justice. Yours respectfully
J. H. White

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Recd. 20/10/66	in relation to his loyalty to the US Govt -	White L.J.	Ed. J. White 205
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Dr J. C.

Guano P. J. & Co
Office ^{ant} (Dunlop). State 14
Cousins Treas 100
Davis J. C.

By Jot. Brigg. Genl -
Chief Supt &c

In relation to Mr Black
Salary as Supt. Pittsburg Co
Ky - Asks that owing
to the favor condition
of the Freedmen in that
County if Mr Black's
services cannot be
satisfied with

Read Treas & Co
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NARA 336

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., December 20th 1866.

Post Capt W. J. Kay
Chief Supt of Paducah Ky.
Captain,

I am directed by Post Maj Gen Jeff B. Davis
Asst Commr State of Kentucky, to acknowledge receipt
of your endorsement of Dec 14th 1866, requesting that Judge
N. R. Black Supt Bureau R. F. A. L. for Crittenden Co
Ky. be allowed a stated salary, and in reply to
instruct you to inform this Office whether the ser-
vices of Mr. Black cannot be dispensed with, in
view of the ^{favorable} condition of the ^{Freedmen} and
small amount of business in his
bounty as shown by his reports, or if they cannot
be dispensed with, what salary would in your
opinion remunerate him for his services.

To enable you to obtain the desired information,
I enclose an order directing you to make an
inspection of your Sub-Dist.

In consequence of our accounts having been forwarded
to the War Dept Washington D. C. Mr. Black can only
be paid a salary from Dec 1st 1866, and will be
allowed to retain the receipts (fees) of his Office, up

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to that date,
Please inform this office relative to this matter
as soon as circumstances will permit,

I am, very respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,

John Ely
Brig Genl U. S. Army
Chief Supt.

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War Department
Washington DC
Dec 19 1866

David Jeff. Bt May Genl
Asst Comm'r

Copy of Circular Letter
in relation to Bureau
Conts

NARA 339
War Department
B R F & A Funds.

Washington D.C. Dec 19th 66

General:-

The Circular letter of instructions to the Asst. Commissioners of Oct 13th 1866, relating to the Organization of Bureau Courts in the insurrectionary States having been submitted for the approval of the President, was returned to this Office not approved till further consideration.

Until further orders therefrom, I am directed to say that the Asst. Commissioners in the administration of justice will be governed by the laws establishing the Bureau, to bring such action in accordance therewith as in his judgment the necessities of each case ^{may} demand.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,
(Signed) A. P. Ketchum.

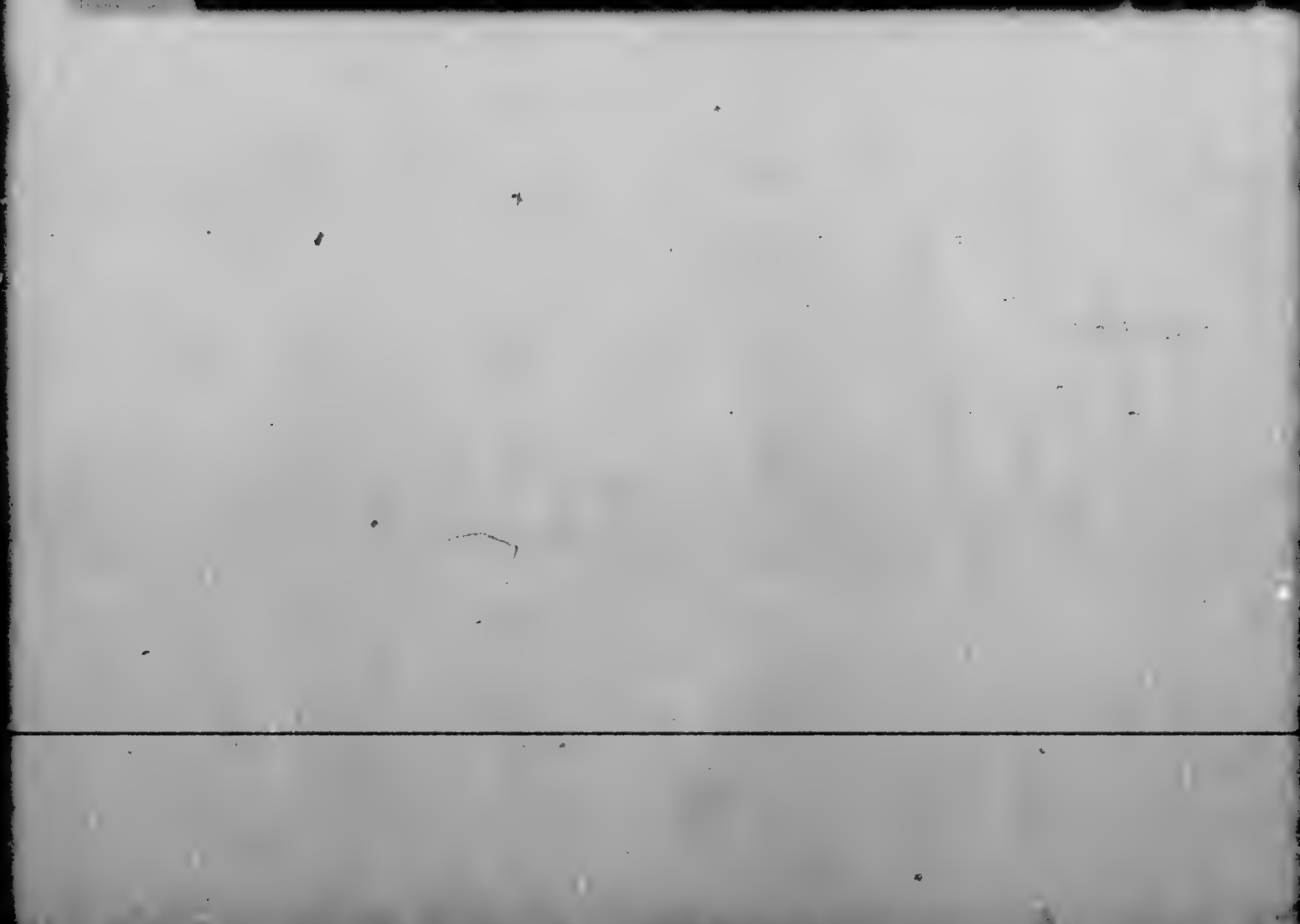
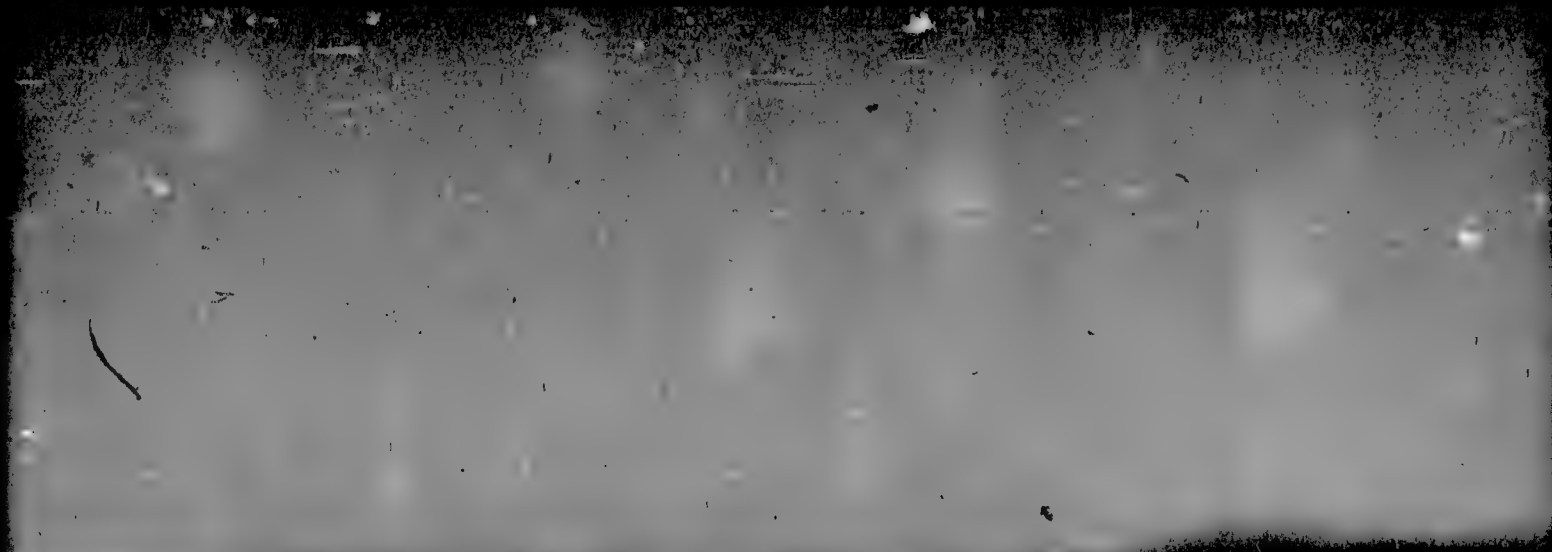
A. A. A. Genl.

By Maj Genl. J. C. Davis.
Asst. Comm. State Ky.

Official Copy respectfully furnished for information and guidance of Capt. H. H. May, Adols. Chief Supdt. &c who will cause this to be furnished to all Supdts under his charge.

Genl. J. P. Burroughs
St. Louis, Mo.

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Circulars -

Rec. Jan 1867

War Department,

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER,

Washington, Dec. 26th, 1865.

Captain

I have the honor to transmit herewith all copies
of General Orders, Nos. 1

Bureau Office Manual

Also, 1 copies each of Circulars, Chief Q. M. O.,
Bureau R. F. and A. L., Nos. 4, 5, and 6
the receipt of which you will promptly acknowledge, by signing and
returning the accompanying letter.

~~You will be held responsible for the distribution of Orders to officers
serving under your direction.~~

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

By order of Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard, Commr.

Samuel M. Whittier
Bvt. Brig. Genl., and Chief Q. M.
Bureau R. F. & A. L.

To Capt. W. James Ray
Capt.
Paducah Ky

Dec 18 1866
Jan 9 1867

Bureau Refugees & A. Lands
Office Sup't Ballard Hick
man & Fulton Counties Ky
Columbus Ky Jan 1867

Polton James F.
Lieut and Sup't

Asks if any more
destitute freedmen will
be admitted into the
Refugees and Freedmen's
Hospital at Louisville
Ky.

Rec'd O. C. S. M. & Sub Dist. Jan 5 1867

Paducah

Rec'd A. C. S. M. & Sub Dist. Jan 11 - 1867

Bureau R. F. M. A. S.
Office Chief Sup't M. Sub Dist.
Paducah Ky Jan 22 1867

Respectfully forwarded
to Post Brig Genl John
Ely Chief Sup't State of
Kentucky Louisville Ky
W. James Kay
Post Capt & Col
Chief Sup't M. Sub Dist.
Jan 8 1867

Bureau Refugees & A. Lands
Asst Comm. Office, State of Ky.
Louisville Jan 22-1867.

Respectfully returned to Post
Capt W. J. Kay Chief Sup't
Paducah Ky. who is authorized
to furnish rations to the
destitute persons within mentioned.

in accordance with instructions
contained in letter from this
Office of this date, if he
deems it necessary.
Capt Kay will inform Lieut
Polton of his action in
this matter.

By Order of Post Maj Genl Jeff B. Davis
Asst Comm. State of Ky.
John Ely
Post Brig Genl W. S. Felt
Chief Sup't.
Jan 11 1867

Rec'd back O. C. S. M. & Sub Dist.
Jan 26 1867

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,
 Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Sts, Ky,
 Columbus, Ky Jan. 1st 1867,

Bot. Brig. Genl. John Oly.

Chief Supt. & Disbursing Officer State of Ky,
 Louisville Ky.

General:

I have the honor to respectfully inquire (Thos Hd. Qrs. N. W. Sub. Dist. Ky) if any more freedmen, who are in a state of extreme destitution, will be admitted into the Asylum for freedmen at Louisville, Ky. I have some four or five cases of freedmen in my superintendency, who are extremely destitute, and are suffering for the necessities of life. There is one in this city, who is suffering severely. His name is Thomas Moss, he came here since I forwarded those extreme cases. He is sick both physically and mentally.

I am General.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

James H. Baltour
 2nd Lt. U. S. A.
 Supt. &c.

LR No 10-1867

Bureau Refugees Fort Larned
Asst Comdr Office State Ky
January 5th 1867

Burnett Levi F.
Sent W.R. & H. A. G.

Says there is a lot of damaged clothing at that office and asks if they could be distributed to advantage if so. in what number and send

Res. O.C. H. Subdit Jan 9/67

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Louisville, Ky. Jan. 5th 1867.

Wm. H. J. May
Chief Subdist. A. W. Subdist
Paducah Kentucky
Capt.

I am directed by Rt
Maj Genl Jeff Davis Asst Commr State of Kentucky
to inform you that there is on hand at this Office
a small supply of damaged clothing for men
wear. for distribution to very destitute freedmen

Please forward to this Office a list
of such articles you require for distribution
in your Sub District with as little delay
as possible.

I am Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

Levi E. Bennett

Lieut W. R. a a a Genl

SEP 13 1867

Thompson J.B.

about

Thomas Jones

Jan'y 4. 1867.

Recd. Office C.S. Mfg. Co. Jan 15/

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and A. Lands
Office Superintendent Livingston Co.
Smithland Ky. Jan. 4th 1867

Post Capt. W. James Kay
Chf. Supt. N.W. Sub Dist. Ky. }

Captain:

I have the honor to state, that I forwarded a letter to Mr. Thos Jones of this County, as directed by you, requesting him to prove his loyalty past and present, to be sworn to by himself, and by two good Union Men.

Whereupon Mr Jones had an Affidavit drawn up and tried to get two good Union Men to swear to his loyalty. Mr Jones canvassed a portion of the County, and to my knowledge tried most of the good Union Men in this Vicinity, but all of them positively refused to swear to his loyalty.

I have now waited on Mr Jones ten days and during that time he has not furnished my office with the required proof. I think he has given up the idea of proving his loyalty, but should he get do so I will at once forward his papers. I repeat that I have no prejudice against Mr Jones but that I have tried to act with a spirit of entire impartiality in his case and will ever try to exercise the same spirit in all similar cases.

I am Sir, Your Obedt. Servt.

J. Bonds Thompson

Supt. N.W. for Livingston County Ky.

SR No 16 ~~Key~~

Bureau R Fnd & L
Office Supt Ballard & Co
Law 11th 1867

Statis that his
1 Bolton James F.
Stork Supt & Co

Statis that his return
of Bureau property for
June 1866 has not been
Recd at Washington
asks if it passed through
this office, asks for
Or Mr Plank

Che Jan 15th 1866 at Office of S.

Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands
Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman, & Fulton City Ky.
Columbus, Ky Jan. 13th 1867.

Br. Capt. M. James Kay
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub Dist Ky
Paducah, Ky
Captain;

I have the honor to
state that I have received the acknowledgement of receipt
of my Property accounts, "Stores pertaining to Bureau R.
4. D. A. L." at the Office Chief Quarter-Master, Bureau R.
4. D. A. L., Washington, D. C. for the months of April, May
July, Aug, Sept. Oct. Nov. and Dec, 1866, with the statement
that no accounts had been received for the month of
June 1866, from this office, I would respectfully inquire
if my Property accounts for June 1866, have ever been received
at Wd. Br. N. W. Sub Dist, Ky, for they were forwarded from
this office previous to forwarding those for April, & May, 1866,
Please forward me Blanks, for said Property accounts, there
are none in this office, I am Captain

Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,
James H. Bolton,
2nd Lt. U. S. A.
Supt. Dec.

LR No 18/1867

Bureau Refugee F. & A. London
Office Asst Com State Ky
Louisville Ky Jan 14/67

J. K. Noble
Chaplain & Supt of F.
Schools -

Makes inquiry in relation
to Schools for Freedmen
in this Sub Dist

Rec^d OCS. & N Sub Dist Ky
January 16th 1867

Noble P. J.
 Chas. Supt. Freedmen School
 Ask information con-
 cerning ~~the~~ ~~condition~~
 of ~~these~~ ~~schools~~ and

by

will
 you

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Louisville, Ky., January 14th 1867.

Capt. W. L. Key - U. S. V.
Chief Supt &c Paducah
Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will inform me whether in your judgment the number of freedmen & slaves in your district may not be increased by aid from this Bureau. Are there not places, where, by erecting suitable buildings of the freedmen - churches for example - and among the rest to support the teachers - schools could be established and sustained? It is very desirable that the number of schools in the State should be largely augmented and you will materially aid in the work by reporting to me such places - as in your judgment are in greatest need of aid.

Yours truly,
B. H. Noble

Very Respectfully - Wm. L. Key
S. H. Noble
Copies to Chief Supt Freedmen

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SR No 19 1867

Bureau Refugee Y. & A. Lands
Office Asst Commr State L. & L.
Louisville Ky Jan 14 1867

Genl J. Burnett
Lieut V.R.C. & Art & Genl.

States that it is determined to forward letters inquiring for the loyalty of those having claims against the United States direct to the Super of the Counties where the parties reside and that the proof will be endorsed upon the original letters of inquiry

Pro. O.C.S. M. G. Subdrish Jan 16 1866

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Louisville, Ky, Jan 14 1867

Wm. H. May
Chief Deputy
Sadducan Key

Captain.

I am directed by William H. May, Chief Deputy, to inform you that in consequence of the large number of affidavits referred to this Office for information relative to the loyalty of claimants it has been deemed best to refer such claims to the different Agents of this Bureau. direct from this Office, with the view of saving time and also to avoid the necessity of making endorsements at each office through which the claim may pass.

The evidence of loyalty is now required to be endorsed on the original letter calling for it.

I am, Captain

Very Respectfully

Levi F. Burnett

Levi F. Burnett

34 Bay 14. 67 26
Columbus Ky
January 17, 1867

James F. Bolton
Capt

Reports are outrageous in a
Freedman. Would like
instructions in this case
and others of like character
which may arise.

Bureau Refugee Freedmen & Abandoned Lands
Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Co., Ky.
Columbus, Ky. Jan. 17th 1867.

Bvt. Capt. W. James Kays
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub-Dist. Ky.
Paducah, Ky.

Captain:

I have the honor to re-
port to you that there was a freedman by the name
of Washington Gardner, shot in the side by one
Jesse McShoe an ex-rebel soldier. The tragedy took
place last night in Mr. Dupree's store in this city
and as near as I can learn without any cause or
provocation on the part of the freedman, said Jesse
McShoe has made some trouble two or three times be-
fore this. As soon as he fired last night he left the
store, as quick as possible, passed through a by-
street, and I have not been able to learn his where-
abouts since. The Police Judge here tells me he has
issued a warrant for his arrest and it is in
the hands of the officer who is now after him
and as near as he can learn he is in Ballard Co. Ky.
The Judge assures me he shall spare no pains in
making the arrest, and that he has justice done

him. Said Washington Gardner is alive yet
but there is ~~not~~ little if any hopes of his recovery.
I shall watch the movements of the civil authorities
in this case closely, and if justice cannot be obtained
here, shall report it to higher authority. Should
be very glad to receive any instruction touching
this case and similar ones.

I am Captain,
Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
James H. Baltow
2nd Lt. 4th R. C.
Supt. H. C.

SR No 367

Bureau B. E. and A. L.
Post. Comm. Office State Ky
Jan 23 d 1867

Chy. Post. Reg. E. L.
Chief Superintendent

Forwards instructions
in relation to Capt. King's
investigating and forwarding
proofs of the loyalty of persons
when required for by the
J. M. Genl

Recd OCS. at Sub. Lib. Jan. 28 1866

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. January 23, 1867.

Bot Capt. W. J. Kay.

Chief Supdt. &c

Paducah, Ky.

Captain:-

I am directed
by Bot Maj General J. C. Davis Secy Comd
State of Ky to inform you that it is desired
that the evidence relative to the loyalty of persons
be obtained without the knowledge of those
who have an interest in the claims.

You are directed to obtain the in-
formation from unprejudiced persons
whom you know to be of undoubted loyalty
& then endorse on the original letters, from
the Gen. General a. a. whether they are
now, & have been loyal or disloyal to the
U. S. Government during the late rebellion.

I am very respectfully
Your Obedt Servt.

Truly
Yours
Bot Brig Gen. &c. Chief Supdt.

NR 351
L.R. No 27. 1867

Bureau B. F. and A. L.
Office Chief Supt. State H.
Louisville Ky. June 23rd 1867

Col John P. B. Brig. Genl
Chief Superintendent

Authorizes the issue of
rations to very destitute
Refugees and Freedmen until
the 1st of March 1867.

Rec. O.B.S. 171 Feb 28th 1867

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN & ABANDONED LANDS,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Louisville, Ky.,

January 23rd, 1867.

Hon. Capt. W. J. May, Chief Sup't
N. W. Sub District Ky.
Paducah Ky.
Captain:—

The Asst. Commissioner
has decided to issue the Freedmen's Ration to very
poor & destitute Refugee Freedmen, not to exceed
Five Hundred Rations per Month to the 1st of March
next.

These rations will be drawn in accor-
dance with S. O. 9 par 1. ¹⁸⁶⁷ H. Q. Mil Dist of Ky.
(enclosed herewith) and distributed by you to such
Refugee Freedmen of the District as you deem it
necessary.

I am Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,

Truly
Yours,
Bt Brig Genl. H. J. H.
Chief Sup't S. O. 9.

1 Encl

NARA 363

SR No 38. 1867

Jan 24. 67

Louisville Ky.

January 24th 1867

John Ely
Chief Supt.

Encloses Invoice & Receipt
for signature and return

Recd OCS M. L. Pitt Jan 25 1867

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. Aug 31 1867.

Det. Capt. W. James Day
Capt. G. W. Sub. Dish
Parrish B. J.

Captain:

I have the honor to
acknowledge receipt of
Camp. & Garrison
your yesterday. Receipts of clothing
Equipage. forwarded to
Please sign portion Receipts
to this Office at your earliest convenience.

Very Respectfully
Yours at last.

Sincerely

Det. Day
Capt. W. J.

Frankford Ky
 10/10/67

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1 Black NR
 of Culloden Co

Acknowledges the recep-
 tion of the Order re:
 relieving him from
 duty as Supt of Culloden
 County

Wm R. F. Adams
 Marion Crittenden Co Ky
 Brevet Captain W James Kelly
 Paducah Ky

Captain

I have the honor
 to acknowledge the receipt
 of the letter of Special
 order No 4) relieving me
 of further duty in this de
 partment from the 5th of
 January 1867

I was pleased with the
 order, and shall ~~most~~ ^{most} ~~heartily~~
 comply with its require
 ments as soon as I return
 from City of Frankfort
 where I now am

Yours Respectfully
 W. R. Black

NARA 367
SR No 441807

Bureau Refugee Post L
Office Asst Comm
Louisville Feb 2nd 1867

Table Rev J H
Supt of F. Schools

Lists names of Teachers
and location of the
Freedmens Schools

February
1867

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Louisville, Ky., February 2nd 1867.

Capt. Dr. J. Kay U.S.A.
Chf. Supt. Freedmen K.

Capt:

I am directed by General Howard
School Inspector to forward to his office
the names of all teachers of freedmen in
this State, together with the name and lo-
cation of their schools.

I respectfully request that you will
instruct your agents to obtain the names
of such persons as are teaching freedmen
in your district together with the name
and location of their schools and forward
them to this office as soon as practicable.

Yr. Obedt

Chaplain to Chf. Supt. Freedmen School

SR ~~MAY~~ 5. 1867

Pearson R. F. & L.
Office Supt. Ballard Hick
= Man & Sullivan County, Ky
Jan'y 29. 67

Bolton Thomas J.
Lt. Supt

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About Quarterly State-
= ment.

January
1867

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands,
Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Co. Ky
Columbus, Ky. Jan. 29th 1867.

Bvt. Capt. M. James Kay,
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub Dist. Ky,
Paducah Ky.

Captain:

I have the honor to
acknowledge receipt of your communication of
the 25th inst. relative to my Quarterly Statements of
Property Bureau R. F. & A. L. for 1866, and would respectfully
state that I have received no orders relative to said state-
ments, but what are contained in Officers Manual
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, Washing-
ton, 1866, but concluded said statements would be re-
quired from the time I was first responsible for Bureau
Property, as my Monthly Returns of Bureau Property
were and I forwarded them accordingly, to prevent the call
for back statements as there was for back Returns

I am Captain, ~~very res.~~

Very respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

James H. Baltoz,

2nd Lt. V. B. C. Supt. Fe.

P. 46
SR No. 46
1867

John James T.
St. Supr.
Columbus 17 Feb 4/67

Forwards Nation Returns
for the Month of Feb/67
for 392 Nations for dis-
tribution to destitute Pa-
cks.

Recd Feb 8 1867

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands,
Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman, & Hutton bds. Ky,
Columbus, Ky, Feb. 4th 1867.

Bvt. Capt. M. James Esq.,
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub. Dist. Ky,
Paducah, Ky.
Captain.

In accordance with instructions received from you today, I have the honor to forward enclosed herewith, four Ration returns in duplicate each for seven days, the whole including the month of February, 1867. I am obliged to forward them in Manuscript, not having printed forms. Not knowing what you can most conveniently forward to me, I have left the number of rations of each kind blank which please fill as you can forward to me. If conveniently, please send some for the sick for I have a few of that class who are extremely destitute. I would also respectfully inform you that the clothing mentioned in your communication are very much needed among the extreme poor and destitute Freedmen, who are suffering for the want of clothing it will be thankfully received.

I am Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,
James H. Bolton,
Supt. &c.

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Feb-9-68

Copy of the proceedings
 in the Ballard County
 Court in finding of
 Rebecca Neale Childers

Case Continued

Rec'd Feb 9 1868

As any Constable of Ballard County you are Command
ed to summon Rebecca Neale of Colour to appear
before the Judge of the Ballard County Court at the
Court House in Blandville on the 4th Monday this
Inst. ~~about~~ December to show cause if any she has why
her children shall not be bound out and have them
Clare this with witness J Corbett Clerk of said Court
this 18th Day of December 1866

J Corbett CLK

Executed Decr the 22nd 1866

M L Stevenson
for J B Rof SBC

At At County Court Began and held for Ballard
County Kentucky At the Court House in Blandville Monday
the 28th Day of January 1867 The following proceedings
were had viz:

The Hon J St Stovall Judge presiding

John N Neale
against

Rebecca Neale a Coloured woman

} Motion to Bind out
Defendants Children

The parties appeared by their attorneys and on the
Motion of the ^{Defendants} ~~Plaintiff~~ It is ordered that this
Cause be Continued It is therefore adjudged by the Court
that the ^{Plaintiff} ~~Defendants~~ recover against the ^{Defendants} ~~Plaintiff~~
his Costs about said Continuance Expenses and that
Execution Issue therefor

A Copy attest

J Corbett CLK

As Clerk of the Ballard County Court in the State
of Kentucky I Certify that there is nothing of record
in my office showing the said Rebecca Neale
having ever been married to any person or that her
marriage has ever been legalized as required by
the laws of Ky

att J Corbett CLK

MS. A. 9. 1. 26. 7

Bureau of the
Office of the
man, Fulton Co. N.Y.
Febry 5. 67

Fulton James T.
St. Joseph

In relation to the
found in Columbus

Read Feb 9. 1867

Bureau Refugee, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands,
Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton Bldg Ky
Columbus, Ky Feb. 6th 1867.

Bat. Capt. M. James Ky.
Chief Supt. N. W. Sub Dist. Ky
Paducah, Ky
Captain

I have the honor to respectfully inform you, that I found quite a quantity of Blank Forms Quarter-Master's Department, packed away in this city. It seems that when the Government Property was sold here, the Quarter-Master gave all loose papers in his office to the purchaser of the building. I was accidentally in the room with the purchaser a few days since and seeing the papers, told him how much I had needed such papers, and he very kindly, told me I might have all I wanted of them, there are more than I need, and if you would like some of them, please inform me and I will forward them to you by express, if I have such as you would like.

I am Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,
James H. Patton,
2nd Lt. - 7th R. C.
Supt. Co.

NR 377
Dec 5th 1867

Bureau Refugee Fr A Sargent
Office Supt. Ballard -
Glickman & Fulton Cos
Columbus N.Y. Feb 1867

Boston St James F.
Supt

States that he has had
several interviews with
a Lawyer of C who
says that the Case of
Mushew for the Murder of
Gardner shall be pre-
sented to the Grand Jury
of that C. at its next
Sitting

Rec F. v. 9 7867

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands.

Office Supt. Ballard, Hickman, & Hulton Co. Ky.

Columbus, Ky. Feb. 26 1867.

Bot. Capt. M. James Ky.

Chief Supt. N. W. Sub. Dist. Ky.

Paducah, Ky.

Captain

I have the honor to respectfully inform you that I have had a number of interviews with one of the best lawyers in this city, since forwarding the communication of February 26 1867 regarding the arrest and trial of Jesse Meehem for the murder of Washington Gardner (colored) and he assures me that the affair shall not rest there, but that said Jesse Meehem shall be brought before the Grand Jury at the Circuit Court in this County which commences on the fourth Monday of this month and if in his power justice shall be had, he is looking up his evidence and making his arrangements for it now, I shall do all I can for the right.

I am Very respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

James F. Ballou

2nd Lt. U.S.A.

Supt. Ky.

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Paducah Ky.
July 8. 1867
Feb. 16. 1867

Kay W. James.
M. Capt. & Chief Supdt.

Request information
in regard to an order
for transportation
of Martha Radd/Colonel
to Louisville Ky.

See K. 52. 1866

Paducah

Recd A. b. O. K. Feb 15- 1867

Bureau Refugees & A. Lands.
Asst Comm Office, State of Ky.
Louisville Feb 16-1867.

Respectfully returned to Bmt Capt
W. James Kay Chief Supdt. & Paducah
Ky. with the information that
there are no funds, and no
authority at this office to
refund to Thomas Wilson based,
the amount which was paid by
him for the transportation of
the within mentioned colored
woman.

By Order of Bmt Maj Gen Jeff b. Davis,
Asst Comm State of Ky.

W. L. Davis

Encl - Bmt Brig Gen U. S. S.
Chief Supdt

257 1867

Bureau Refugee Freedmen at Large
 Office Chief Supt at West Sub-est
 Paducah Ky Feb 8 1867

Rot Brig Genl John Ely
 Chief Supt State Sig
 Louisville Ky

General:

In a letter dated Louisville Ky Dec 7th 1866. Rot Major S R Hamill A J M. informed me that he had referred an order for the transportation of Martha Dodd (col) from this place to Hospital at Louisville. The transportation was paid by Thomas Wilson (col) and received by the Clerk of the boat.

Please let me know if it was received by you. For Wilson is a poor man and very much needs the money.

Sincerely Respectfully
 Your Obedient Servant
 W. James Kay
 Rot Capt & Chief Supt.

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Gardner Co. Ky
July 15th 1867

W. H. H. H.

Forwards Copy of Bond
and Copy of orders of
indenture of "Harvey" Col
Boy

Caldwell County Ky

July 15th 1867

Capt James Kay

Sir I received a few days since a letter which I enclose for your information in case you are not the Author. If however it is from you I respond by enclosing to you a copy of the indenture of the boy Harvey made with the County Court of Caldwell. I will state that I was the owner of said boy at the time of the genl. emancipation and he has been for several years a nurse for a little son who is an invalid and was without employment when I had him bound to Mr. His mother has but a very poor prospect of either raising him or he ought to be or making him useful to her. I believe that having him bound to me is for his interest as well as my

Convenience. Still if this is not
satisfactory to you the boy is subject
to your order and shall be forth-
-coming at any time as I have
no disposition to come in conflict
with the Authorities and have only
acted from what I believed to be
a judicious discretion in the premises.

Very Respectfully
Yours &c

J. F. Mitcheson

Harry of Color
 Copy credit
 To J. Band Sr.
 J. J. Mitchem

a "Copy"

Calover, County Court
December 17th 1866.

On motion of James J. Mitcheson, it is ordered that Harvey a boy of color aged 13 years, be and he is hereby bound as an apprentice unto the said Mitcheson until he arrives at the age of 21 years. A Copy
At Frank, Gabney, D.C.

Indenture of Apprenticeship
The Commonwealth of Kentucky
This Indenture, made this 17th day of December one thousand eight hundred and sixty six between Harvey a boy of color by Joseph P. Pool Clerk of the Calover County Court, in the state of Ky. of the one part, and J. J. Mitcheson of the other part: Whereas, by an act of the General Assembly, the Judge of said Court is empowered to bind out orphans and poor children whose parents are incapable of bringing them up in moral courses, therefore the Court made the following order, to wit: On motion of J. J. Mitcheson it is ordered that Harvey a boy of color aged 13 years be ^{and he} is hereby bound unto the said J. J. Mitcheson until he shall arrive at the age of 21 years. Now therefore, this Indenture, Witnesseth that the said J. P. Pool Clerk of said Court and in his official character as such, he obeyed to the ^{and} the order of the said Court as above recited hath put, placed,

and by these presents,
place, and find the said Harry
to be under the said J. P.
Mitchum with him to direct him to
serve in the condition, duty and
character of an apprentice, until
the said Harry shall arrive at the
age of 21 years fully to be completed.
And it is noted, that during all the said
period, the said Harry of color, shall
faithfully serve the said Mitchum
master in all lawful business,
according to the best of his wit
and ability, and in all things
honestly, orderly and obediently
demean and behave himself;
and the said Mitchum doth
for his heirs, executors and
administrators, covenant and
agree with the said Pool that
the said Mitchum will
teach the said Harry the trade
art, and business of a Farmer,
and will find him fire, and
allow to the said Harry sufficient
clothing, apparel, washing
lodging, proper medical attention
and all other things usually allowed
to apprentices by good and just
masters; and will treat him with
kindness; that the said Mitchum
shall the said Harry at the expiration
of the said term, a good new suit of
clothing, and a good new pair of
shoes, and a good new pair of
socks.

Provided, that should said
Mitchum teach said Harry to
read and write, then he shall not be
obliged to pay to him the said sum of
money above stipulated. In Witness
whereof, the said Harry by the said
J. P. Pool clerk as aforesaid, and the said
J. P. Mitchum have hereunto set their
hands and seals, on the day and year
first above written.

(Stamped)
Harry of color.
By J. P. Pool Clerk
J. P. Mitchum

A Copy
Att. J. P. Pool Clerk
By Frank Gabrey, P.C.

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Bureau R. T. and A. L.

Office Chief of Marine

Washington Feb 7th 1864

Whittely

Henry M

Chief Quarter Master

Forwards Circulars 1 to 3 In-
clusive from Bureau and
No 1. 1864. of M. Department
asks that receipt be ac-
knowledged.

[Form 9.]

War Department,
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER,

Washington, Feb 4th, 1864.

Captain

I have the honor to transmit herewith One copies
each of General Orders, Circulars Communications Nos.
Bu. R. F. & A. L. its 3 inch 1864

Also, One copies each of Circulars, Chief Q. M. O.,
Bureau R. F. and A. L., Nos. 1 1864
the receipt of which you will promptly acknowledge, by signing and
returning the accompanying letter.

You will be held responsible for the distribution of Orders to officers
serving under your direction.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

By order of Maj. Genl. C. O. Howard, Commr.

[Signature]

Bvt. Brig. Genl., and Chief Q. M.,
Bureau R. F. & A. L.

T. Capt. James Ray
Chief Superintendent
Paducah Ky

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Elizabethtown, Ill.
 Feb 21st 1867

Graves George
 colored

Writes for instructions
 in relation to the Col-
 lection of Money owed
 to him by Mr Foster
 of Putnam County Ky
 and which he (Foster) re-
 fuses to pay.

Elizabethtown Ills Feb 21st 1867
 To Chief Freedmens Bureau Paducah
 Dear Sir

according to your instructions I have
 called on Mr Foster and delivered
 your note to him and all the satisfac-
 tion he gave me was that he wanted
 me to go a head and he would
 learn me that niggers new
 nothing about law and
 that the freedmens Bureau did
 not amount to anything and
 I now write to you as instructed
 by you and ask for assistance

Sir I am your obedient
 servant

George Graves
 Freedman

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Bureau of Refugees, Fort Sumter
Office Supt of Livingston Co
Smithland Ky July 18 1867

Copy. Receipt given by
Solomon Sittelfield Supt
of Livingston & Crittenden
Counties Ky to W. D. Bond
Thompson ex Supt for
Bureau property received
by Sittelfield from Thompson

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Bureau B. F. M. & S.
Asst. Comr. Office
March 7th 1867

By Bot Brig Genl Chap. Supt.

Forwards invoices of
Stationary Shipped on
7th March 1867

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky.

March 7th 1867.

Brig. Genl. James Hays
Chief Supdt. R.R. & A.R.
Paducah Ky.

Capt.

I have the honor to enclose herewith Invoices and Receipts of Stationery forwarded to you per Adams Express today.

Please sign and return Receipts to this Office at your earliest convenience

I am Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

Sincerely
Wm. Brig. Genl. U.S.A.
Chief Supdt. State of Ky

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Bureau R. T. & A. B
Office Chief Supst. State Ky
Cincinnati Mo. May 7 1867

Coly 10th Brig. Inf. Ind
Chas. Supt. &c

Authorizes the Continuation
of the issue of Station to very
destitute Freedmen & Refugees

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., March 7th 1867.

Brig Capt M. J. Hay,
Chief Sup^r Paducah Ky.
Captain.

I am directed by Brig Genl Sidney Burbank
Asst Comm State of Kentucky, to inform you that the
authority given you in letter from this Office, dated
January 23-1867, to issue Five hundred (500) Rations per
month to destitute Freedmen in your Sub-Dist up to
March 1-1867, is hereby extended to May 1-1867.

I am very respectfully.

Your Obedient Servant,

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Sully
Brig Genl U. S. A.
Chief Sup^r

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Bureau B. F. Ind. A. Co.
Office Asst. Commr. State Ky
Louisville Ky March 7 1867

Coly. 1st. Brig. Genl. John
Chief Superintendent

Authorizes The Purchase
of One Bott Black Ink One
Bott. Red Ink. One Bott of
Mucilage.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., March 7th 1867.

Brig Capt M. J. Hay,
Chief Supt. Paducah Ky.
Captain.

I am directed by Brig Genl Sidney Burbank
Asst Comr State of Ky, to inform you that
are authorised to purchase one Bottle Black Ink, one
Bottle Red Ink, and one Bottle Mucilage, called for in
your letter of March 1-1867.

The vouchers for the same should be forwarded
to this Office, as soon as possible after the purchases
are made, for payment.

I am very respectfully,

Your Obedient servant,

W. Bully
Brig Genl U. S. A.
Chief Supt.

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Bureau Refugee Post Sandy
Offt Com^{rs} Office State Ky
Louisville Ky March 12 1867

Col John. P. P. Engle
Chief Supt

Forwards Invoices of
Stationery.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., March 12 1867.

Col Capt W. J. Kay
Chief Supdt. do.

Paducah Ky

Capt I have

the honor to transmit herewith Invoices
and Receipts of Stationery forwarded
to you on the 11th inst.

Please Sign & Return Receipts
to this Office at your earliest convenience.

I am very respectfully
Your obedient Servant

Blindly
Col Brig Genl W. S. Wells
Chief Supdt.

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Bureau B. I. Ind A & Co
Office Chief. Dept. State Ky
March 13th 1867

Chy. Col. Brig. Genl. John
Chief Superintendent.

Forwards invoices and
receipts for Stock. Forwarded
on the 10th Inst.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky.

March 13th 1867.

Col Capt W. J. Kay

Chf Superintendent to

Paducah Ky

Captain

I have the honor
to transmit herewith Invoices & Receipts
of Stockings, forwarded to you on the 10th inst.
Please Sign & return Receipts
to this Office at your earliest convenience

I am Very Respectfully
Your obedient Servant

Very Truly
Col Brig Genl W. J. Kay
Chf Supdt.

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Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Asst. Commr. Office State of Ky
Louisville Ky. March 15 1867

Attest: J. H.
Chief. Supr. J. Schools

Forwards Circular No. 5.
War Dept. Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Washington D. C.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., March 16th 1867.

Brut. Capt. C. Dr. May
Chaplain &c

Capt:

In compliance with instructions
received this day from Washington
I have the honor to forward the
enclosed Circulars with the request
that prompt action be taken and that
the information required be forwarded to
this office in season for my next report.

Special attention should be given
to paragraphs 3rd & 4th.

Please instruct your agents
to send in their reports as early as possible.

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant

R. H. Holla

Chaplain & Chief Chap. Freedmen's School

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You Department
Bureau R F & L
Washington March 25/64

Whittelsey H. M
Chief Quartermaster

Forwards Circular Nos. 6

7. 9. 10. 1864.

Asks for acknowledgment
of same.

[Form 9.]

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER,

Washington, March 25. 1867.

Captain

I have the honor to transmit herewith
copies each of General Orders, Commissioner Bureau R., F., and
A. L., Nos.

Also, ~~see~~ copies each of Circulars, Commissioner Bureau
R., F., and A. L., Nos. ~~4 to 10 incl~~ 1867 6.7.9.10.1867

the receipt of which you will
promptly acknowledge, by signing and returning the accompanying letter.

You will be held responsible for the distribution of Orders to officers
serving under your direction.

By order of Maj.-Gen. O. O. Howard, Commissioner.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

But. Brig.-Gen. and Chief Q. M.,

Bureau R., F., and A. L.

To Bt Capt H. J. Kay

Superintendent

Paducah Ky

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Mrs. A. J. Jones, Esq. & Son
Dist. Comm. Office State Ky
Louisville Ky March 24/67

By John Port Engr In
Chas. H. Hest

Circular Letter directing
that Quartermaster's return
be forwarded in duplicate
thru. Dist Comm. Office

Circular Letter

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., March 23. 1867.

Post Capt H. James Kay
Chief Supdt. &
Paducah Ky.

Captain:

I have received to instructions from War Dept. Bureau R.F. & A. Lands, dated Washington D.C. Feb 20th 1867. I am instructed to direct you to forward your Returns of Property, belonging to the Quartermaster's Department, through this Office as required by Par. 2. Article 2. Bureau Officers Manual.

The Returns, above mentioned, are required to be made in quadruplicate, one copy and vouchers to be retained, and three copies with one complete set of vouchers to be forwarded to the Quartermaster General U.S.A. thru this Office.

I am very respectfully
Yours Obedt Servt.
J. W. W. W.

Post Brig Genl. 2nd V.
Chief Supdt.

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Bureau P. O. and A. L.
Office Asst. Com. State (Ky)
Louisville Ky March 26/67

Chas. L. No. 1st Brig and
Chief Supt.

Forwarded invoice Receipts
for Stationery purchased
of Gundry & Co. by Capt
May and Supt. Smith

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky., March 30 1867.

Col. Capt. W. F. Finner, Ky.
Chief Capt. H. W. Lab. Dist
Pamphlet Ky.
Captain:

I have the honor
to enclose herewith Invoice & Receipts of
Stationery purchased by you & Capt. Smith
of Mass. Army & Navy.

Please sign & return
Receipts to this Office at your earliest convenience

Very Respectfully
Yours Obt. Asst.

John R. Ly
Col. in Regt 45th
Chief Capt. State of Ky.

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Duncan C. F. & A. L.
Asst. Comm. Office, Mo. h.
Louisville Ky March 29/67

M. R. Dr. M. H.
Capt. Lt. Col. Surg. in Chief

Asks if in the opinion
of Capt. May a Surgeon
is required at Paducah
and if so directs that the
name of some one willing
and competent to fill
the position. Suggests
the name of the Surgeon
attending the troops.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville, Ky. March 29 1867.

Captain

I am instructed by Bt Brig Genl Jno Ely
Chief Supt Freedmen Affairs for the State of
Kentucky, to request that you will inform
me whether in your opinion an acting Assistant
Surgeon is required at Paducah to attend "Refugees
and Freedmen, and if so, if there is any
Physicians in good standing at Paducah, who
could take the "test oath" and who would be
willing to contract with the Bureau to give
such attendance, all necessary medicines &c
being furnished by the Bureau.

It is probable that there is an acting
Asst: Surgeon in attendance on the Military
who would be willing to contract with the
Bureau (for additional pay) to attend Freedmen.

Very respectfully

Brown obt Genl

W. B. De Witt

Surg: & B. Lt Col of 10th

Surgeon in Chief
District of Ky

Bt Capt W. James May

Paducah

Kentucky

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Bureau R. F. and A. J.
Office Asst. Comr. State of N.Y.
April 6th 1864

In relation to Quarter-
master returns, State that
Retained Copies of Vouchers to
Abstract must be forward-
ed for approval of Asst.
Commissioner

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Ky.,

Louisville, Ky., April 6th 1867.

Col. Capt. W. James Taylor
Chief Capt. T. W. Sub. Dist
Paducah Ky
Captains:

Money pertaining to Bureau B. to A. L. for
March 1867. has been received, examined and
forwarded to Washington D.C. Your attention
is respectfully invited to Article Par 12. Bureau
B. to A. L.

You will therefore forward your
returning vouchers to Abstract to this
Office to be approved by the Asst
Commissioner State of Ky.

Respectfully
Yours Oth. Dist.

Sincerely
Dot. D. Taylor
Chief Capt. State of Ky.

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Bureau D F & A General
Office Agent Somerset
Smithland Ky April 16/67

Littlefield Thomas

Agent.

Forwards complaint of
Julia Reed (col) that Ben
Jones of Somerset Co. is
detaining her children in
his custody without her
consent.

NARA 415
Bureau Refugees Freedmen & Abandoned Lands
Office Smithland 15 April 13th / 7

W James Kay

Bvt Capt & Chief Commissioner H H

Sir

I have the honor of submitting for your inspection
the statements of Dela Reed Col, in regard to her chil-
-dren now held at slaves by one Benjamin Jones without
her consent. She says that B. Jones has ^{had} her two children
for the last twelve months or more and that she has sent for them
and the said Jones refuses to give them up the children
ages is 14 & 12 years and she says that she is able to support
them

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Littlefield

Com R. F. & A. L.

Livingston & Crillenden 608

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Thomas R. F. A. S.
Smithland Ky Apr 20/67

Littelfield Solomon
Agent.

Forwards Statement of
contract between George
Graves Lee and Foster of
Crittenden Co Ky

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- Bureau Refugee Freedmen & Abandoned Lands
Office Smithsonian April 20th 1867

Mr James Kay
Brvt Capt. U.S. Vols
Chief Sub Asst Commr

For
I have the honor of sending you
a statement from George Graves, in regard to the Contra-
-ct with R. P. Foster. He Graves, says that he is
damaged at least \$175.00 by Foster not complying with
the Contract, and that he can prove it by Tillman Huff
a white man living at Haters Landing Polly Green
Milton Davis & Augustus Hunt Col.

I will await your
instruction in the matter.

Very Respectfully
Yours Obedt. Servt
W. H. Hildreth
Sub Commr. R. F. & A. L.

Livingston & Breckinridge Co 8

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War Department
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Sick
Washington D.C. April 16/67

Howard Major Genl U.S.A.
Commissioner

Circular Letter in relation
to the medical attendance
of Officers in duty in this
Bureau

War Department
Bureau of Refugee Treatment & Lands
Washington April 16th 1867

Circular Letter
General:

It having come to the knowledge of the Commissioned that in some instances Commissioned and Officers on duty in the Bureau have presented bills for medical attendance upon themselves by a private physician at places where an Acting Assistant Surgeon is employed in the service of the Bureau. He directs that in future medical attendance must be procured from the Medical Officer of the Bureau on duty at the place or vicinity where the Officer is sick or the Officer must pay the bill himself. In no case will any payment be made by the Bureau for medical attendance at places where a medical officer is on duty.

Assistant Commissioners and Surgeons in Chief of Districts hereafter will not allow more than fifty dollars (\$50) per month when a contract is made for service in the Bureau with an Acting Asst Surgeon who is at the same time employed under contract.

Copy to the Medical Department of the Army to attend
troops

By order of
Major General O. O. Howard Commissioner
Signed: H. D. Mitchell
Acty Asst. Adjt. General

Official Copy respectfully furnished for information
and guidance of Capt. H. James Kay, M.D. Chief
Sut. Asst. Commr. who will cause a copy to be
furnished to all commissioned Officers under his
charge -

John W. Kelly
Brig. General
Chief Surgeon

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War Department
Bureau R. Fund & S.
Washington D.C. April 19/64

Copy of a letter from
the Commissioner in
relation to forwarding
and the use of blanks
for soldier's claims
"D"

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War Department
Bureau of Pensions
Claims Division
Washington D.C. April 19 67

Dear Brig Genl S. B. Buntant
Asst Commissioner
Louisville Ky

General:

I am directed by the Maj Genl Comdr to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 11th inst requesting that the following described forms be furnished your office.

"100 soldiers applications for bounty where discharge is lost"

"100-3rd and 5th class Evidence of Marriage. Widows claims for pay and bounty."

"100- Affidavits to disease and death of soldier in Widows claim for pension."

None of the above forms are printed or issued from this Bureau

Forms of application for additional bounty (discharge papers being lost) are supplied from this office (see Cir 12. Bureau to Co.)

In application for the ordinary bounty/discharge

...the following declaration should be made
...of application for a record of
...a supplementary affidavit as
...the 15th clause pamphlet printed
...from this Office accompanying each
claim.

The circumstances connected with the
marriages and cohabitation of persons of color
who were slaves, are of so varied a character
as to preclude the issuing of printed forms
of evidence which would be adapted to any
considerable number of cases.

A manuscript form of evidence of
two eye-witnesses is furnished to each Post
or other officer of the Bureau who forwards
claims which forms with obvious modifica-
tion will meet the requirements of each case
where there is no record evidence of the marriage
of parties and the affidavit of the person who
solemnized the marriage rites cannot be ob-
tained.

It has not been considered nec-
essary to issue forms of officer's certificate as
to the origin or of the disease or wound of
the soldier as an special form for each or

...is required / See
Division series of 1864.

I am General

Very respectfully

Comd'g General
Signed / W. T. ...
a agent

Official Copy furnished for information & guidance
of Post Capt W. James Kay Chief Sub-Post Capt ...
furnished copies to each of his subordinates as may be
necessary

W. T. ...

Post Brig Genl ...
Chief Supdt.

Special Order 150
No 34

Bureau R Fort S. -
Apt Com. Office State Ky
April 25 1867

Assigning Fred. Messing
A. A. Surgeon U. S. A. on duty
at Paducah Kentucky

Recd. O. C. S. N. M. Sub Dist Apr 27/67

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., April 25th 1867.

SPECIAL ORDERS,

No. 34.

"Extract"

In accordance with contract
made April 13th 1867 with Fred Hassig
A.A. Surg used he is hereby assigned to
duty at Paducah Ky, and will report by
letter to Post Local W.R. R. With Jr.
Surgeon in Chief Bureau Refugees Freedmen
and Abandoned Lands at Louisville Ky for instructions
and Orders

By Order of Brevet Brigadier General SIDNEY BURBANK:

Assistant Commissioner, State of Kentucky.

Solunsky

Bvt. Brig. Gen. U. S. Vols., Chief Superintendent.

Post Capt W. J. Kay.

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Bureau Refugee Trust Funds
Act Commis Office State N.Y.
Louisville Ky April 30/67

Offy Comm. Port Prig Fund
Chief Agent

Forwards Check for \$95.00
in payment of Capt Trap
account for actual ex-
penses

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BUREAU
Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Louisville, Ky.,

June 3, 1867

Col. H. H. Hays

Chief of A. L. Hays

I have the honor to enclose herewith,

Check No. 1192 on the U. S. Depositary at Louisville, Ky., for \$ 25⁰⁰

in payment of your account for Actual
Expenses 14⁰⁰ 1100

Please acknowledge receipt of the same.

I am, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. L. Hays

Brevet Brigadier General U. S. Volunteers,
Chief Superintendent and Disbursing Officer,
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and A. Lands.

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Thomas Refugee Fund A. Jones
Asst Com. Office State Ky
Louisville Ky May 7th 1867

Ely John. Port Pig Land
Chief Supt.

States that the House be-
longing to Andrew Fuller
hired as School House
at Columbus should
have been taken up on
Capt Kay's report of Persons
& Articles employed hired
for the month of April
1867

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Ky.,

Louisville, Ky., May 7th 1867.

Brig Genl M. J. Hay,

Chief Sub. Asst Comm. Paducah Ky.
Captain.

I am directed by Brig Genl Sidney Burbank Asst Comm State of Kentucky, to inform you that the school building belonging to Andrew Fuller at Columbus Ky, should have been taken up on your Report of Persons and Articles hired for April 1867.

Your report the office used by L. J. F. Bolton, as owned by John Mc Connell, and it appears from his Report to 2. for April 1867, that it is owned by D. J. Hale. Please make the necessary correction on your retained copy for April 1867.

I am very respectfully.

Your Obedient servant.

Wm. L. G. S.
Brig Genl U. S. A.
Chief Supr.

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Bureau Refugee Port Bonds
Dist. Comm. Office. State of Ky
Cincinnati Ky May 13 1864

Cy Wm. H. Sig. Genl
Chief Supt.

Forwards invoices and
receipts of Stationary sent
to Mr. Capt W James May
on the 10th Inst. with the request
that the receipts be signed and
returned.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., May 13th 1867.

Col Capt W J Kay
Chf But and Camp O & F & A.
Paducah Ky

Captain I have the honor to enclose
herewith Invoices & Receipts of Stationery
Sent you on the 10th inst.

Please Sign & Return Receipts
to this Office at your earliest convenience.

I am, Captain

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

John C. Ely
Col Org Gen W. S. F.
Chf Capt State of Ky

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American Refugee Bureau
Office, Dept. of Foreign Affairs
Washington D.C. May 18 1867

Littlefield. Volume
Dept. of

Furnished Statement of
and names of colored
children that have been
found by the Civil author-
ities and by Agents of this
Bureau in his supervision
may.

WAR 433
Bureau. Refugee Freedmen and Abandoned Lands
Office Smithland May 18th / 67

Mr James Hay
Brvt Capt US Vols
Sub Adj Comm Smithland

Sir

I have the honor to inform
you that I have got all the information that I can in regard
to the Colored persons bound out by the County Court Judge
of Livingston, Crutchenaw Co., there has been bound in Livingston
County William Trimble 14 years Old, Robert Trimble 12 years
and Henry Trimble 7 years Old, to James Trimble ^{May 1866} their former owner
William Canady 6 years old was bound to R. S. Canady ^{Nov 5th 1866}

There ~~has~~ been

bound in Crutchenaw County Salas More 7 years Welley-
More 9 years, Bound to Alford More June 6 / 66
Betsy Hodge 13 years, Ruth Hodge 6 years Old bound to
Singleton Hodge Oct 9 / 66, Levina Sherman 9 years Old
Emma Sherman 7 years Old Vera Sherman 4 years Old and
Matty Sherman 11 years old bound to J. C. Brown March 11 / 67
Jesse Sherman 4 years Old, bound to P. C. Stephens March 11 / 67
Joseph Woodard bound to S. J. Woodard Oct 8 / 66
The above named children is all that has been bound out by the County

Court Judges, there is two Children that is bound out by
Judge Black, when he was the ~~Agent~~ Supr of the Bureau
Refugee Freedmen & A. S., they are the only ones that I can ascertain
that has been bound out by any Bureau Officer in my district

Very Respectfully

S. Littlefield

Agent Bureau R. F. & A. S.

S. C. P. Co.

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I have been informed that the
Office of the Freedmen's Bureau
is now in the hands of the
Government & they are
very much interested in the
work of the Bureau.

Littlefield
Agent

It is much to be regretted that
and many of the children
bound out by the Civil author-
ities and by agents of the
Bureau in the Department
are.

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Frederic R. F. and A. L.
Asst. Com. Office State Ky
Louisville Ky Comm. H.

Wm. Chap. T K
Supt of Schools

Forwarded printed copies
of Circular letter and
ask that they be
distributed so the in-
formation required may
be speedily obtained

NARA 438

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Ky.,

Louisville, Ky., June 1st 1867.

Bras: W. J. Kay
Chap: S. P. Holt
Paducah Ky.

Supt:
I have etc. been to examine
Copies of "Circular Letter" -
Please have them distributed
among the officers and agents
on your district and such
instructions as will secure the
observance of the suggestions
therein contained.

I am, Sir,
Very Respectfully
Your obt. Servant
S. P. Holt
Chaplain & Chap
Supt Freedmen's School

Office of the
Columbian June 6 1867

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Dillon James F
St. & Sub Apt Com

States that Jesse
Mehner is connected
with a band of out-
laws back of Columbus
asks what course
shall be pursued to
obtain his arrest

Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands
Office, Asst. Sub. Asst. Comr. Ballard, Hickman & Fulton ^{Mo. & Ky.}
Columbus, Ky. June 6th 1867,

Br. Capt. M. James Kay,
Sub. Asst. Comr. N. W. Sub. Dist Ky,
Paducah, Ky.

Captain:

I have the honor
to report to you, that, according to the best infor-
mation I can obtain Jesse Mesheew, the murderer of
Washington Gardner (Colored) is now in the coun-
try, ^{not many miles from here} connected with a gang of outlaws, Burglars
Thieves and robbers, and intend making a de-
scent upon this place,

Any orders or instructions respecting him
will be promptly attended to, and in case
we arrest him again I would like hand-
cuffs &c, to prevent another escape, as I have none

I am Captain,

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

James F. Dalton,

2nd Lt. U. S. A.

Asst. Sub. Asst. Comr. &c,

23/200
Memorandum
District Court Office
Columbus Ky Jan 7. 67

Rollin L. Jones Esq
District Court -

States that he is pros-
ecuting the investiga-
tion of the murder
of Stephen Thompson
(col) at Madrid Ind
Ky - as fast as pos-
sible - That the evidence
is hard to obtain

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands
Office Asst. Sub. Asst. Comr. Ballard, Higginson, & Fulton
Columbus, Ky, June 7th 1867,

But. Capt. M. James Kay,
Sub. Asst. Comr., N. W. Sub. Dist. Ky,
Paducah, Ky,
Captain;

I have the honor
to acknowledge the receipt of your communication
of the 5th inst. regarding the complaint and statement
of Laura S. Hariland of Memphis relative to the
murder and robbing of Stephen Thompson (Colored).
I am prosecuting the investigation as fast as possi-
ble. Not having the given names of some of the
parties, and there being a number of the same name
in the vicinity, it is very difficult to find the right
man, some of the colored people referred to by the
aforesaid Laura S. Hariland have changed their place
of residence, and I have been unable as yet to find their
whereabouts, New Madrid is in Missouri, which makes
it somewhat difficult to investigate the matter. There
is a small town called Madrid Bend lying part-
ly in Fulton Co. Ky, and partly in Tennessee in which
there are some of the parties, I shall report as soon
as I can possibly investigate the matter thoroughly
enough to make a reliable one, but the parties are
in so many different places, that it makes it very
over

difficult

Dear Captain

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

James H. Balton,

and J. V. K. Co.

Asst. Sub. Asst. Commr, &c,

[Faint, illegible handwriting in the middle section of the document]

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 James H. Balton
 Subst. Commr of the
 Customs at New York
 Balton & James H.
 Subst. Commr -
 That the is now
 entering the mortgage
 term of the mortgage
 of Stephen Thompson
 (et al) at New York
 My - as per the
 title - that the
 is now to be

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Bureau B. G. and A. L.
Office Asst. Commr. State P. H.
Louisville Ky June 24/67

Burbank Wt. Brig. Genl. Acting
Asst. Commissioner

Acknowledges receipt of m. d.
on letter of G. D. Smith, Asst.
Agent. recommending that
a small hospital be established
in Paducah. Says it is not
deemed expedient. but that
in cases of extreme destitution
the parties may be admitted
into hospital at Louisville.
Authorizes the sending of a
Medical Dispensary.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., June 24th 1867.

Genl Capt W. James Hay,
Chief Sub-Asst Comm. Paducah Ky.
Captain.

I am directed by Genl Brig Genl Sidney Burbank,
Asst Comm State of Kentucky, to acknowledge receipt of
your endorsement of June 17-1867, on letter of L. D. Smith
Esq. Chief Agent at Paducah Ky. requesting that a small
hospital for refugees and freedmen be established at Paducah,
and in reply to inform you that it is not deemed
advisable to establish a hospital at that place at
present.

In cases of extreme destitution, and the persons will
probably be sick for several months, they will be ad-
mitted into the Refugee & Freedmen's Hospital in this city,
provided there is reason to believe they can be cured.

If the persons or their friends cannot pay for their
transportation to this city, application will be made
to Maj Genl O. O. Howard for authority to furnish it, if
the same is requested by you.

If measures have not already been taken to rent a
room for a dispensary, you will endeavor to obtain a

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suitable room soon as practicable, and request permission
to rent the same, stating the name of the person to
whom the rent is to be paid, the price per month,
and the date from which it commences.

I am very respectfully.

Your Obedient Servant.

Levi F. Burnett.

Post Capt U. S. A. A. A. Genl.

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Bureau Refugee Post & Co.
Office Asst. Comm. State P.
Louisville June 10/67

Noble

Rev. T. H.

Supt. Freedmen's Schools

"

Calls for the disbursements
of the buildings erected
for Freedmen's School Houses
the amount of Money ex-
pended by the Bureau
for them &c.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., 1867.

Dear Capt W. J. Hayes
Chaplain of the
Paducah Ky

Sir:

I have the honor to request
that you will forward to this of-
fice the dimensions of the School-
buildings erected on your district by
the freedmen and also account of and
rendered by this Bureau on their
construction. I want the inform-
ation for my Semi Annual Report which
is due on the 1st of July

I am Sir,

Very Respectfully
W. J. Hobbs
Chaplain of the
Freedmen Schools

Q. 10. 1867

L. M. General's Office
Washington June 19. 1867

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Quartermaster General
by Chs. Thomas Asst.
L. M. Genl.

Says that Genl Howard
has reported certain Officers
of his Bureau as having
in their possession L. M.
property which he desires
to purchase of the Dept.

C. Paducah K. who is
directed to request the Comdr
of that post to appoint a board
to view the property, estimate its
value & examine & value same
being transferred from the L. M.
Dept. to the Bureau -

By order

Recd A. L. O. K June 24 - 1867.

Bureau Refugee For A. Sands,
Asst Comm Office, State of Ky.
Louisville June 24 - 1867

Respectfully referred to Asst
Capt M. James Kay, & Cadmus
K. who is directed to request
the commanding Officer of that
Post, to appoint a board
to have the property within refer-
to, in his ^(Capt Kay) possession, examined
and valued, with a view of
having the same transferred
from the Quartermasters Dept
to this Bureau.

By Order of

Asst Brig Genl Sidney Pembark.

Asst Comm - Kentucky,

Geor. J. Burnett,

Asst Capt U. S. A. A. A. Genl.

End 905. 1867

Quartermaster General's Office
Washington, D. C. June 19th 1864.

Fort Maj. Genl. Thos. Swords
Chief Qu. Master
Louisville, Ky.

General,

Maj. Genl. C. C. Howard the Commissioner of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands has reported to this Office, that the following named Officers of his Bureau, have in their possession sundry articles of the Qu. Mtr. Dept. which he is desirous of purchasing for the use of the Bureau viz:

Capt. J. C. Rodrigues	- Bowling Green, Ky.
Col. C. F. Johnson	Bowling Green, Ky.
Brig. Genl. W. R. De Witt	Louisville, Ky.
Capt. W. James Fay	Paducah, Ky.
Fort Major W. R. Bourne	Danville, Ky.

The sale & transfer to the Bureau of R. F. & A. L. is approved, and you will have this property examined and valued, with the Officers above named, and have Duplicate accounts made

out, with the receipt of the officers of the Bureau attached
that they have received it, and send them to this office
without delay.

By order of A. L. M. Gent - Very respectfully

Your obedt servt.

(Signed)

Chas Thomas

Asst L. M. Gent. Bot Maj. Gent.

A true copy.

H. F. Dmm

Bot Lt Col. A. A. A. Gent.

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War Department
Bureau R F & A L
Washington June 18/64

Purbeck Sidney
Bt. Brig. Genl. Art Com.

Forwards copy of a
letter from the Comm.
reducing the force
of Civil Employ as in
the Bureau in Kentucky

War Department
Bureau of Refugees Freedmen & Lands
Washington June 15th 1867

Bro. Brig. Genl S. Burbank
Asst Commissioner
Louisville Ky.

General:

Major General Howard directs me to inform you that it has become necessary to reduce the force in the Bureau especially in those States not embraced within the Military Districts and desires that you take measures to reduce the civil employees in your State, by the end of the present month at least one half. He thinks that you will best accomplish this end by conducting the Bureau upon a system of Inspections, requiring the Sub Asst Commr of each District to visit periodically the different Counties, or as many of them as may be necessary. He will thus be enabled to keep himself informed of the condition of his district, as also to afford relief and protection to the Freedmen. You will select the most competent Agents to be retained. Please report your action in view of this reduction.

The Commissioner also desires you to inform him if it will be practicable to make a fur-

12 6 12 3 28 1
 This reduction than that above suggested within
 this is the next month.

Very Respectfully,
 Your Obedient Servant

Signs!

F. D. Sewall

Acty Asst Adjut. General

Official copy furnished for information and guidance
 of Bns Capt W. J. Hay Chief Sub-Asst Com

Levi F. Burnett

Bns Capt U. S. F. A. A. A. S.

Mr Littlefield has been discharged under
 this order.

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Jesse R. F. and J.
Office Asst Com. State Ky
Louisville January 1864

Portland Maine
B. B. F. and Asst Com.

Says that all buildings
rented for school
purposes must be
dropped from the
Rolls at the close of
the school and taken
up again when they
open to avoid paying
rent during vacation

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Ky.

Louisville, Ky., June 29th 1867.

Post Capt. J. J. Jones Esq.
Chief Sub-Assist. Comm.
Paducah Ky.
Captains:

I am directed by
Post Dir. Genl. Henry Burbank. Asst. Comm.
State of Ky. to instruct you to drop from your
Report of Personal Articles of value all buildings
which have been rented by this Bureau for school
purposes. As soon as the school closes, you are
to take them up again when the school opens.
The object of this is to prevent
rent being paid except for the time the
buildings are actually used.

Very Respectfully,
Yours Obedt Servt.
Levi F. Burnett
Post Capt. U.S.A.
Wm. Gail

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Paducah Ky.

July 17. 1867.

C. D. Smith
Chief Agent

Relative to assaults
committed on Freedmen
by Soldiers.

Chief Agents
Office, Bureau, R. F. and A. L.
Paducah, Ky. July 17/1867.

Brot. Capt. W. James May.

Sub Asst Com. &c.

Paducah, Ky.

Captain:

I have the honor to specially report that on the 15th inst. one of the soldiers on duty with the Detachment at this place made an assault with a pistol upon a Freedman named John Martin at whom he snapped several times and the negro trying to get away ran behind a white man named J. C. Jones, who was shot through the thighs, by the said soldier, while committing said assault. So far as I have been able to learn no provocation had been given.

It is also my duty to report that I have been, almost daily, informed by the citizens and police of this city of assaults made by the soldiers upon Freedmen; but while no personal complaints were made to me, I

did not consider it advisable to bring such hearsays to your notice, although I had, and now have, no doubt that ~~there~~ was foundation in fact for the reports.

I should say, however, in my own defense, that I have tried in such cases to collect the necessary information, but for the reasons that the outraged parties did not present themselves, or the difficulty of identifying the soldiers, I have failed.

Since writing the above I learn that the colored man, John Martin, received a shot through the coat sleeve, from the soldier.

I am informed that Lieut. Comstock can identify the soldier.

Very Respectfully
Yours off Servt.
C. S. Smith.
Chief Agent.

July 17.67

Chief Agents
Office, Bureau A. F. and A. L.
Paducah, Ky. July 17th 1867.

Wrt. Capt. W. James May.
Sub Asst. Com. Sec.
Paducah, Ky.

Captain:

It becomes my duty to specially report to you an outrage committed by Private Peach of Co. A: 25th Wf. Inf., of the detachment at this post, upon the property of a Freedman named Bob. Murrey, by breaking open the door of his house and chasing and frightening the children belonging to the premises. Peach was asked to desist from breaking the door by Mr. Daniel Forshee formerly Marshall of this city, whom he outrageously cursed, and abused with opprobrious language. Peach then made an assault upon a colored man named Dan. Johns, and could not be prevailed upon to desist, until warned by the negro. This happened upon the 16th inst.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.

C. S. Smith
Chief Agent.

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Bureau Refugee & Det Land
Office & Asst Comm
Louisville Ky July 16th 1867

Quartermaster Gen. S.
Asst. Commissioner

Authorizes the putting of
a round ground Hobt. Bureau
at St. L. to used as a
dispensary -

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., July 16th 1867.

Post Capt W. J. Kay.

Chief Sub-Asst Comm Paducah Ky.

Captain.

I am directed by Post Brig Genl Sidney Burbank Asst
Comm State of Kentucky, to inform you in reply to your
request of July 11-1867, that you are authorised to rent
the room of Robert Sherar at Paducah Ky. at \$5⁰⁰ per month
from 1st inst, for use as a Dispensary.

I am very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Levi L. Burnett,

Post Capt U. S. A. A. A. Genl.

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Louisville Kentucky
July 22^d 1867

John Ely
Chief Supt &c

Relative to Reports of
 Schools.

Bureau Refugee F. & A. Smith
 Office Chief Sub Asst. Comm
 Paducah Ky July 25th 1867

Respectfully forwarded to
 C. D. Smith Esq. Chief Supt.
 so Paducah Ky. &c

Recd. 18/2/1867

H. James Kay
 St. Asst. U. S. A. T. S.
 Chief Sub Asst. Comm.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., July 22nd 1867.

Charles D. Smith Esqr.

Chief Agent Paducah Ky.
Sir:

I am directed by Pt Brig Genl S. Burbank, Asst. Commr. State of Ky. to acknowledge receipt of your report, dated July 17. 1867, relative to Mr. Dupre's refusal to make a monthly report of his school at Paducah, and in reply to instruct you to obtain, as near as you can, the number of scholars who attend the school each month, and include the same in your report, as we are desirous to report the number of colored children who attend schools in this State.

There are no means to compel Mr. Dupre to make a report and you will not interfere with his school, any further than to obtain a report of the number of scholars who attend his school.

I am very respectfully
Yours Obedt Servt.

Wm Rly

Thos. H. Pro. Western Sub Dict }

Pt Brig Genl U.S. Fols.
Chief Agent re

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Jesse Rogers Post So
Office Asst Comd. State N.Y.
Saville N.Y. July 27 1867

Qty. Bot. Reg. Genl. John
Chief Supt.

Call for Quarterly
Report Clothing Com
& Mission Expenses

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., July 2nd 1867.

At Capt. Wm. James Esq.
Chief Sub-Assist Commr.
Paducah Ky.
Captains:

I have the honor to request
that you will please forward immediately to this
Office your Quarterly Report of Camp Clothing
and Garrison Equipage for the quarter ending
up to the 30th of June 1867. Your last Quarterly
Statement ending March 31 1867, shows the
following amount of Property on hand.

12	Dresses	June 2
6	"	unfined
19	Coats	new
31	Pair	Drawers
17	Shirts	
12	Blankets	Shirts
1	Room	Flag
1	Halliard	"Room flag"
	(over)	

Rank: Captain
Name: John H. Fuller
Date: Oct 1864
Signature: John H. Fuller
Rank: Capt. (State of Ky)
Signature: John H. Fuller

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Bureau P. O. & A. L.
Office for the Comm
Linnville Ky July 31st 67

Qly - John
St. Quincy Ind
Chief Suptr

Says that the Attorney
asked for has been
forwarded papers
except In R - which
he authorizes the
purchase of —

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., July 31st 1867.

Post Capt M. J. Lay.

Chief Sub. Asst Comm. Paducah Ky.
Captain.

I am directed by Post Brig Genl Sidney Pembark. Asst
Comm State of Kentucky, to inform you, in reply to your letter
of July 12-1867. that the stationery therein asked for, has
been sent to you this day by Express, except two bottles
of red, and one bottle of black ink, which you are hereby
authorized to purchase.

I am very respectfully.

Your obedient servant.

Wm. H. H.
Post Brig Genl U. S. A.
Chief Asst.

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Princeton N.J.

August 5 1864

Bradley

C. D.

Says the information desired regarding the information would cost more labor and money than he can spare to obtain.

August 1864

Princeton Ky
5th Aug 1867

W. James Kay
Paducah

Dear Sir

I find that the information
you desire in regard to the "unfortunates"
(of color) will cost more time & labor
than I could bestow for "love or money."

Respectfully

C. D. Knicker

Princeton Ky
5th Aug 1867
W. James Kay
Paducah
Dear Sir
I find that the information
you desire in regard to the "unfortunates"
(of color) will cost more time & labor
than I could bestow for "love or money."

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Directed Refugee Post Office
Sub. Arst. Comm. Office
Columbus by Aug 18/67

Bolton. St. James T.
Sub Arst. Comm.

Forwards statement in
relation to what he thinks
is illegally turning the
Arrestman in his Superintend-
ency and asks for in-
formation and understand-
ing relative thereto.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands,
Office Sub-Asst. Comr. Ballard, Hickman, & Fulton Sts. Ky.

Columbus, Ky, Aug. 10th 1867,

Bvt. Capt. W. James Kay,

Chief Sub-Asst. Comr. Western Sub-Dist. Ky,

Paducah, Ky,

Captain

I have the honor
to respectfully ask for information and instruction
regarding the taxing of the freedmen, here.
Every male freedman of twenty^{one} years of age and
upwards in this city is required to pay (\$7.50) seven
dollars and fifty cents, and in the country (\$6.50)
six dollars and fifty cents, divided as follows viz:
(\$2.50) two dollars & fifty cents for county purposes, (\$2.00)
two dollars to be appropriated to the care of the poor
freedmen, & (\$2.00) two dollars for the education of the
freedmen, and those who live in the city (\$1.00) one
dollar, for city purposes. Why are the freedmen called
upon to pay (\$4.00) four dollars poll tax over
and above what the whites have to pay? It is rep-
resented to be legislation for the benefit of the freed-
men in taking care of their poor and educating
themselves and their children, but it looks more

Aug. 22^d 1867

Genl. Bolton

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication dated Aug 20 requesting some information and instructions regarding the taxes imposed on the Freedmen of Hickman Co. and in reply would most respectfully state that it appears the (\$4⁰⁰) four dollar tax for the purpose of supporting the paupers and educating the Colored Children in the County, in addition to the regular Poll tax of \$2⁰⁰ must necessarily be some mistake, you will see the Sheriff or Judge of the County and ascertain all the particulars in detail, and Justice in the premises.

I understand Poll Tax being a Capitation of two (2) Dollars for supporting paupers and schools, and any additional local tax should be satisfactorily explained to the Freedmen, and Whites as well as Colored pay pro-rata.

H. J. Kay

Like oppression to me, Why not make it so and blacks pay an equal poll tax? When taxes are at stake they call the freedmen citizens, but when voting and testifying against the whites are at stake the freedmen are disfranchised and debarred, Please inform me if anything can be done in the matter for the relief of the freedmen.

I am Captain,
Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,
James H. Bolton,
3rd St. N. W. C.
Sub. Asst. Comr, &c,

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Bureau Refugee & A Land
Office Asst. Comm. State Ky
Louisville Ky Sept. 3rd 1862

Burbank St. Eng. Gen. L
Asst. Commid.

Asks for list of Civilian
employees. Name. Station
and place of birth. and
place of residence when
appointed.

Sept 5 1862



Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., September 2nd 1867.

Col. Capt. W. James Kay etc

Chief Subdist Comm'r etc

Saducan Ky.

Captain.

I am directed by
Acting Genl Sidney Burlant, Asst Comm State of Ky
to instruct you to forward to this Office as soon as
practicable a list of Civilian Employees in your
Sub District giving their Station, place of birth,
and name of State in which they resided at time
of appointment.

I am very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Levi J. Burnett

Act Capt U.S. A.A. Genl

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Bureau Refugee Post Office
Office Chief Supt. State St.
Louisville Ky Sept 17 1864

Burnett

Bt. Capt L. F.
A. A. General

Says that the monthly
Reports for September 1864
must be promptly for-
warded before the last
day of the month to en-
able the Asst. Commr. to
forward his annual report
on the 10th of October.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., Sept. 17 1867.

Bt Capt. W. James Kay.
Chief. Sub. Asst. Commr.
Paducah.
Captain.

I am directed by Bt Brig.
Genl. S. Burbank Assistant Commissioner, State
of Ky. to instruct you to forward your Reports
for September 1867 promptly on the last day of
this month, so as to enable the Assistant Commis-
sioner to make his Annual Report by the 10th of
October.

I am very respectfully
Your obt Servt

Levi F. Burnett,
Bt Capt. U.S. Vols.
Act. Asst. Payt. Genl.

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Forwarded by A. L.
Office Apt. Comm. Station
Louisville Oct 19th 1874

Dear Sir
A. L. Med. Chas. H. H.

Instructs Capt. May
to make arrangements
so that Mr. Smith Chief
Agent & Doct. Hensley
can occupy the same
office with himself
at a cost of not to
exceed \$20 per month

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky. October 19th 1867.

Louisville, Ky.
Brevet Captain W. James Kay.
Chief Sub. Act. Commissioner &c

Paducah, Kentucky.

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I am directed by Breret Brig. General Sidney Bar-
back, Assistant Commissioner State of Kentucky, to instruct
you to take measures to have Charles D. Smith, Chief Agt.
and yourself occupy the same room as an Office from the
first of November 1867. so as to reduce the expenses of this Re-
sion as much as possible

If you cannot arrange to keep the room you now occupy, endeavor to obtain a smaller room elsewhere so that the rent for an Office for yourself, Mr Smith and the Office of A. Harris, will not exceed \$20 per month. Inform this Office of your action.

Very Respectfully

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant.

Your Obedt Servant.
Lewis Russell

May 45th A. S. Infty, B. C. L. 2nd A.
Chief Superintendent.

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Bureau R. F. & A. P.
Office Subst. Com. M. H.
Oct 21st 1867

Respectfully
Yours,
J. M. H. - Chief Supt

Says that requisitions
for fuel must be made
on form 29. G. W. Dept.
and forwarded to his Office
on the 1st of Each month
Will be accounted for
on return from his Office

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., October 27th 1867.

Brevet Captain W. James Kay
Chief Sub. Mast. Commr. &c
Paducah Kentucky.

Captain:

I am directed by Brevet Brig. General Sidney Burbank, Asst. Comr. State of Kentucky, to instruct you to forward to this Office on the 1st of each month, requisition in duplicate on form No 29, L.M. Department for the amount of Fuel you desire to purchase for use in your Office during that month, accompanied by a letter of transmittal.

The fuel will be expended on the Returns from this Office and ^{it} will not be necessary for you to account for it on your Returns.

You will instruct your subordinates to forward requisitions for Fuel in the same manner.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

Wm. R. R. R.
Maj 45th U.S. Infy, Bt Col U.S.A.
Chief Supds &c

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Lieut. J. A. S.
Asst Comd Officer Artillery
Louisville Ky Oct 27 1867

Amble & Co
101 Col West. Chapin

Instructions Capt. King
to forward requisition
for such clothing as
is necessary for the
absolute comfort of
the soldiers for the coming
winter

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., October 22. 1867.

1st Captain W. James Kay, U.S.A.

Chief Subst. Commr &c

Paducah, Ky.

Captain:

I am directed by 1st Brig. Genl. S. T. Burbank, Asst Commissioner State of Kentucky, to instruct you to forward to this Office an estimate for such clothing, including shoes and hats, as may be required for gratuitous distribution to very destitute Refugees and Freedmen in your ^{Sub} District during the approaching winter.

The Requisition should state the quantity of each kind of articles required.

Only cases of absolute destitution will be provided for.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.



Maj 45th U.S. Infy 1st Cal U.S.A.

Chief Supdt &c

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Munroe Paul D
Office Substest Comm
Columbus Oct 11 1867

Ottow James D
S. V. C. Substest Comm

States that he has
a number of cases
of what is thought to
be the illegal testimony
of Col. Childers. That
he wishes to bring before
the Maj. Cant. asks in
strong relation thereto -

November
1867

Bureau Refugee, Freedmen, & Abandoned Land,
Office Sub-Asst. Comr, Ballard, Hickman, & Fulton Ky,
Columbus, Ky, Nov 11th 1867,

Br. Capt. M. James Kay,
Chief Sub-Asst. Comr, Western Sub-Dist, Ky,
Paducah, Ky,

Captain:

I have the honor to state that I have a number of cases of the apprenticing of the children of Freedmen without the consent of their parents, and some without the knowledge of their parents, forcibly taking the children from their parents, which I would like to have brought before the United States Court, a session of which, I understand, is to be holden at Paducah the last of this month. I would like, very much, the decision of that Court, on the apprenticing of the children of Freedmen, in this part of Ky, for a criterion for all concerned to be governed by hereafter. Please inform me if such cases can be brought before the U. S. Court at Paducah and if so, what ^{is the} course I shall pursue to bring such cases before said Court

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I am Captain,
Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,
James H. Bolton,
2nd Lt. U. S. A.,
Sub-Asst. Commr, &c,

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Bureau of War
Apt Comm. Office
Louisville Nov. 7. 1868

Barbours, D. per

General Bm, P,

1st. Col Ky. Chif. Supt

Authorizing \$15.00 per month
for payment of rent
of Methodist School house
at Paducah.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., November 12th, 1867.

W. James Kay,

Chief Sub. Asst. Commr.

Paducah Ky.

Captain.

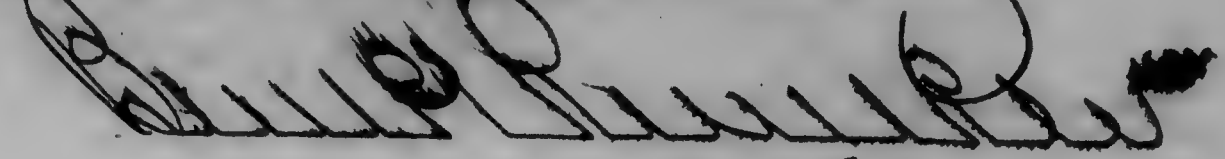
I am directed by Mr. Brig
Genl Sidney Purbaug Assistant Commissioner State of Ky
to inform you in reply to your endorsement of
Nov 4th 1867, on letter of C. D. Smith Chief Agent &c of
same date that Fifteen (\$15) dollars per month will
be paid from the funds of this Bureau for rent of
the Colored Methodist Church at Paducah Ky. from
November 1st 1867, on condition that the money is used
for the benefit of the school and that no children of
Freedmen are excluded on account of their relatives
or friends being unable to pay for their tuition.

You will forward to this Office with-
out delay the names of the persons to whom the rent is
to be paid, and the number of rooms in the house.

Vouchers for the rent should be forwarded
to this Office for payment as soon after the end

of each month as practicable.

I am very respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant.



St. Paul, Minn.

Chief Engineer.

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Bureau B. Fort. &
Apt Comr Offici State Ky
Louisville Ky Nov 18 1867

Noble G. R.
Chaplain & Chapl Sept
of School

Summers School
Registers

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., Nov 11th 1867.

Capt. Jas. M. Kay
Supt. of Schools
Paducah Ky.

Capt:

I have the honor to acknowledge
receipt of (6) copies of School Register.
You will please see that they
reach the teachers in your District
and use all proper means to secure
their introduction into the schools

I Am, Captain

Very Respectfully

Your obedient

W. H. Holt

Chaplain & Chief Supt. Freedmen

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J. D. D. Fort &
Office Asst Comd't of the
Jensville, Nov 9/67

Private D. P.
St Col. Church

Did not investigate
and report on case
of Minnie Banks &
supposed to be with
John T. Searcy - of Harris
County Tex.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., November 19th 1867.

Capt W. James Kay U.S.A.
Chief Sub. Asst. Dir. &c
Paducah, Ky.

Captain:

I am, directed by Brevet Brig. General Sidney
Purbank, Assistant Commissioner State of Kentucky, to
instruct you to investigate the case of Winnie Banks (col)
supposed to be living with John T. Gray, who resides in Graves
County Kentucky. Report where she is and by whom held;
whether illegally apprenticed or not, and her age.

This Office is informed that Edgar Banks, who claims
to be the father of the girl above mentioned, lives at Union-
town District of Columbia, and desires to have her sent
to him.

You will report at once.

Very respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant.

Brevet Colonel U.S.A.

Chief Sub. Asst. &c

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General Kirtland
Office Asst Comd'g
Louisville 19/1867

Respectfully
19th Aug 1867
Chief Supt D. C. C.

Sup that it is not
advisable to ~~continue~~
the services of ~~Dr. H.~~
longer in this Bureau
instruct Capt Kay
to ascertain whether
he cannot make
arrangements with the
City authorities for the loan
of the said Dr. H. for
performing the
duties of

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., November 19 1867.

Wt. Capt. W. James Kay U.S.A.
Chief Sub Asst. Commissioner &c
Paducah, Kentucky.

Captain:-

I am directed by Brevet Brig. General Sidney
Burbank, Assistant Commissioner State of Kentucky, to
inform you that it is not deemed advisable to continue to
employ Dr. Fred Hassig, as A. A. Surgeon Bureau R. F.
& A. Lands at Paducah, Ky., unless there is some other
and further reason therefor than is contained in his report.

Dr. Hassig's last Report shows only fourteen (14) sick
cared for during the week. This number is not sufficient
to justify the employment of a Physician at that place.

You will therefore report without delay whether or
not you can make any arrangement with the civil author-
ities for the care of the sick in and about Paducah Ky
in case the U. S. Government will furnish the necessary
medicines.

Dr. Hassig has been so dilatory in sending his
reports to the Surgeon in Chief is another reason why

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the Assistant Commissioner desires to dispense with
his services

Very respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

Wm P. Russell

Brevet Colonel U.S.A.

Chief Supt re

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Immigrant Refuges Fort Leavenworth
Appt Comm Office State Ky
Baltimore Ky Nov 18 1867

St Col. 26 Oct.
Lunkh Den. P.
Chief Insp State Ky

Calls attention to
D. 3. Circular No 3
and orders a thorough
inspection in conformity
with instructions therein
contained - with Report
immediately. —

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky. November 18th 1867.

Br. Captain W. James Kay U.S.A.
Chief Sub Assistant Commissioner &c
Paducah, Kentucky.

Captain:

I am directed by Br. Brig. General Sidney Burbank, Assistant Commissioner State of Kentucky, to instruct you to call the attention of the Sub Asst. Commissioners in your District to Paragraph 3. Circular No. 5. from Maj. General O. O. Howard Commissioner, dated February 20. 1867.

You will instruct your Sub Asst. Commr to make a thorough inspection of his District with the view of ascertaining at what points it is practicable to establish schools.

You will in like manner inspect that portion of your District of which you have sole charge

Teachers can now be amply protected by the U.S. Courts under the "Civil rights Bill", and the work of establishing schools will not be abated or retarded by the opposition or threats of those who are

adverse to the education of the Freedmen.

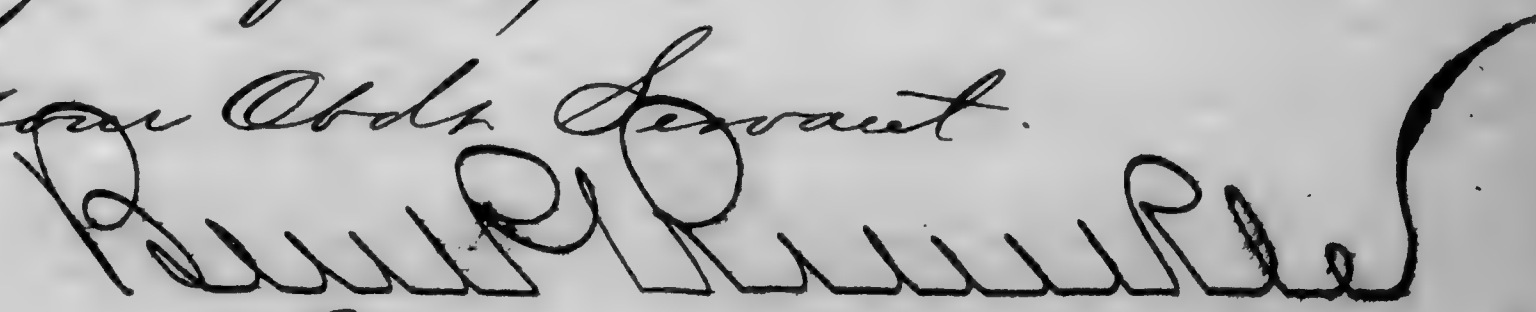
You will make your report as soon as practicable, stating:

- 1st Location of school
2. How many children ~~would~~ probably attend the school
3. Name of person to whom rent is to be paid.
4. Date from which rent commences, and number of rooms in the house.

You are authorized to issue the necessary orders to accomplish the object in view.

Very respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant.



Brevet Colonel U.S.A.

Chief Supt. re

427 East 4th
Bureau of Education
Office Asst Comm State of
Louisville Ky Dec 4 1866

Honble L. R. E.
Chief Supt Schools

Asks for information
in relation to number
of buildings erected
by the Freedmen for
school purposes. Also
destroyed &c &c and
the general feeling re-
siding towards the
colored Schoolhouse
this Subject

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky.,

December 4th 1867

To Captain W. James Hay,
 Chief Sub West Commissioner,
 Paducah Kentucky.

Captain:

I am directed by Bk
 Brig Genl Sidney Curban West Comr State of Ky to instruct
 you to forward to this Office, as soon as practicable
 information upon the following points.

1st Number of School buildings for Freedmen constructed
 within the limits of your District since July 1st 1867
 and the dimensions of such buildings.

2^d Number of school buildings burned or otherwise
 destroyed during the same time together with all
 cases of interference with the schools.

3^d Instances where aid has been rendered by citizens
 in construction of school buildings or in the support
 of the schools.

4th Present sentiments of the citizens concerning Freed-
 men's schools.

Very respectfully

Your obedient Servant

W. K. Noble

Chaplain Chief Supdt schools for Ky

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James B. P. & J. S.
Office Asst Comptroller
Tennessee Dec^r 1867

Remble On P. D. R. C.
Chief Superintendent

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Towards memorials
to the Kentucky Legislature
and requests that
they be widely circulated
and as many persons
of Trustmen be placed
shut as possible

December
1867

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky

Louisville, Ky., December 19th 1867.

W. Captain A. James. Kay,
 Chief Sub. Post Office
 Paducah Ky.

Captain:

I am, directed by B. G. Brig. Genl. Sidney Burbank Post Comm. State of Ky. to instruct you to cause the enclosed petition to be signed by all the freedmen in your District who are willing to sign it.

You will be active and energetic in this matter! Have the petition widely circulated and return to this soon as possible.

Very respectfully,

J. M. Caldwell

J. M. Caldwell

Col. M. J. A. J.

Chief Supdt.

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Wm. D. J. Oct 2
Appt Coms Office Hatt
Jensville Ky Dec. 28/67

Circle Des. J.
Lt. Col. H. B. A. Chaffin

Gives instructions
relative to mustering
arrangements for
the care of sick des.
white Refugees & Prisoners
with the Civil War.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Ky.,

Louisville, Ky.,

December 23rd 1867.

Chas. D. Smith, Esq.
Chief Agent
Paducah Ky.
Sir.

I, am, directed by Dr. Eng
Genl Sidney Pembroke, Act. Commissioner State of Kentucky to
instruct you to enter into a contract with the Civil Au-
thorities of the city of Paducah Ky., to give medical atten-
dances to the sick and destitute Freedmen at that place
and vicinity, on condition that medicines are furnished
by the Bureau of F. & A. Lands.

As soon as this contract is entered into
a three months supply of medicines will be forward-
ed to the physician designated by the Civil Authorities
to receive them.

Enter in the Contract, a provision, that the Medical
Officer appointed by the city, shall render Reports monthly
and weekly to the Chief Medical Officer of the Bureau in
order to enable him to issue the necessary medicines.

I am very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

Wm. R. Runkle
Private Colonel U.S.A.
Chief Sup. Ct. 10 State of Kentucky

Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Asst Commr: Office State Ky
Louisville Ky Dec 23-67

Rankin Gen. P.
At Col W. S. A. Chief Supt

Direct Capt Ray to call
upon Asst Messig and
instruct him to forward
his report for November
which was returned to
him for correction —

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., December 23rd 1867.

Charles D. Smith Esq.
Chief Agent
Paducah Ky

I, am, directed by St Brig Genl
Sidney Pembroke West Comd State of Ky. to instruct you to call
upon Dr. Fred Hassig at Paducah, and direct him to re-
turn to this Office his Monthly Report of Sick &c for November
1867, which was returned to Dr Hassig, by St. A. A. Bell Surg
in Chief for Correction,

I am Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant.
~~Wm R. Smith~~
A Colonel U.S.A.
Chief Engineer

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General D. S. L. S.
Adjutant General State of Ky
Louisville Ky Dec. 26th 1864

General D. S. L. S.
St. Louis, Mo. Dec. 26th 1864

Call for Special report
as to what effect the
enforcement of Gen
Hemonds Circular letter
will have in the 1st
Dist. in which he
purposes to discontinue
that Division on the
15th of February 1865

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky

Louisville, Ky., Dec 26th 1867

Charles J. Smith, Esq.,
Chief Agent W.
Paducah Ky.
Sir.

I am directed by St Brig Gen
Sidney Cumberd Sec Comr State of Ky. to instruct you to make
at once a special report in writing to this Office.

First. What effect has the proposed carrying into
effect of Circular Letter, from Maj Gen C. C. Howard
(dated Dec 11th 1867, relative to discharging Officers & Agents of the
Bureau on Feb 15th 1868.) already had.

- 1st Upon the work of establishing schools for Freedmen.
- 2nd Upon the feelings of the people toward the Freedmen
- 3rd Are the Freedmen willing to continue their exertions
to establish schools in view of the discontinuance
of the Agencies of the Bureau.

Second. What effect will the discharging of the Officers and
Agents of the Bureau (as contemplated by the Circular
Letter referred to) have upon the general condition
of the Freedmen,

- 1st Will they be comparatively safe from Outrages and injury
- 2nd Can the work of carrying on schools be continued & developed.

3rd Will the rights already established be permitted to remain
unaltered,

4th Will the people be any more disposed to give freed-
men the right to testify in her Courts of justice,

5th Will the tax laws relative to freedmen be fairly
executed.

Answer all these questions fully;

I am very respectfully

Your obedient servant



Be Colonel U.S.A.

Chief Engineer

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Murion Kentucky
December 31st 1867

Young Perry S.

Say that County Clerk
books do not show
that any children have
been named to Allen
Butler of Cumberland
County Ky

Marion Ky.

Dec 31st 1867.

Capt W. James, Ky.
Paducah Ky.

Dear Capt.

I have Examined
the Records of the County Court Clerk's office and
nothing can be found showing that any colored
Children have been bound to Allen Butler— His
Proper Name is Daniel Allen Butler I hope this
will be satisfactory Command me at all times &
I will be

Yours obd Servt
Berry Young

100 pages of the 18th century

Amelia Smith
18th century

June 1st 1861

Amble Ome P
St. John's Church

Calls for all the pe-
-titions that have
been signed by the
Freedmen - to better the
School System to be
returned to this office
etc

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., January 4th 1867.

W. James Hay Esq.
Chief Agent &c
Paducah Ky.
Sir.

I am directed by B. B. Biggs, Ins.
Sidney P. Banks, Ins. Commissioner, State of Ky. to instruct you
to return to this Office all the petitions (which have been signed)
forwarded to you on the 9th Decr 1867 for signature of freedmen.
The Ins. Commissioner expects you to be active and
energetic in this matter.

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant
B. B. Biggs

B. B. Biggs
B. Colonel U. S. A.
Chief Agent &c

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Louisville Ky
January 7. 1868
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Bell Dr R. A.
Surgeon in Chief &c

Enclosed to St. J. Kay
Blank Weekly & Monthly
Reports for Jan'y 1868
with instructions how
to make them &c

Bureau B. & A. Land
Aid Comrs Office - Ky
Louisville Jan'y 8. 1868

Respectfully forwarded
to St. James Kay Esq
Paducah Ky, who will
comply with the request
of Dr Bell -

By order of
Bt Brig Genl S. Burbank
Aid Comr Kentucky
Bt Colonel W. A.
End 23. 1868 } Chief Surg'n

Blanks sent by mail

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky.,

January 7th 1868.

W. James Kay Esq.
Chief Agent
Paducah, Ky.

Enclosed please find Blank Weekly and Monthly Reports for the month of January 1868 which you will please have made out by the Physician with whom you have contracted to attend to the Insurgent K&T in Paducah and vicinity - taking Dr. Hargis corrected retained Copies as a basis for each of the Reports and have the weekly forwarded to this Office on Saturdays of each week and monthly on the last of each month.

Very Respectfully,

Yours Obedt

D. A. Bell
Acty. Asst. Surgeon Genl
Surgeon in Chief of Ky.

The
Chief of State of Ky.

Received C. F. & L
Apt. Comm: Office State Ky
Munroe Ky Jan'y 27 1865.

Bairbank, S. per
Burnett Secy. A.
St Capt W. S. S.
A. S. & Genl.

State that a box of
Clothing has been
forwarded for dis-
tribution amongst
the very destitute
Quadrant with in-
structions for return
over

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., Jan'y 27. 1865

Dep. Capt. to Camp Hay.
Chief Sub - Asst Comm.
Tennessee Ky.

Captain:
I am directed by Post, Brig Genl Sidney
Pemberton Asst Comm. State of Ky to
inform you that a box of Clothing has
this day been shipped to your address.
This Clothing is for gratuitous distribution
to very destitute colored people.

You will use the greatest care in passing
these articles so that only those who are
deserving receive them.

Receipts must be taken on Form No. 52
2 lb Dept. from each person to whom the
Clothing is issued and their signature must
be witnessed by a person (not formerly) who
can write, and accounted for on Form
No 23. 2 lb. Dept. This property being

During the morning Receipts for clothing will be
dated July 1st and sent to you at an
early day.

Yours Respectfully
Yours Obt. Servt.
Levi L. Bennett
Ext. bapt. to L. O.
O O O fail.

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J. M. A. S. S.
Asst Comm. Office State Hwy
Limerick N. H. 1868

Frederick S. S.
St. Q. and N. S. S.
Asst. Commissioner

Forwards authority to
rent a house for School
purposes from Henry Bond
at Eddyville Ky at \$15 -
per month. D. C. A. S. S. 1868

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., January 31st 1868.

At Capt. W. James Kay
Sub. Treas. Quor
Paducah Ky

Capt.

I am directed by At Brig Gen Sidney Burbank
Asst Quor State of Kentucky to inform you in reply
to your letter of Jan'y 18. 1868 that Fifteen (15) dol-
lars per month will be paid to Henry Pond from
the funds of this Bureau from January 1st 1868 for rent
of a building at Eddyville Ky for school purposes on
condition that no children of freedmen are excluded on
account of their relatives or friends being unable to
pay for their tuition.

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Levi F. Bennett

At Capt. W. J. Kay
A. A. A. Gen

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Duncan J. H. & S.
Office Asst Com State 1/2
Covington Ky Dec 2 1868
Bairbank, J. per
Huntle R. D. & Co. Merchants
Chief Super &c

States That \$1500.00
will be paid out of Duncan
J. H. & S. to assist the school
of John Perry (col) provided
that no pupils be ex-
cluded on account of
inability of friends to pay
tuition for them.

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Office of the
Bureau of A. S. T. &
Asst Commis Office State of
Louisville Ky March 4 1868

Complete Com. &
T. H. Col. M. B. Chief Supt.

Authorizes the purchase
of two hundred bushels
of coal for distribution
to District Purchase &
which has returns for
same shall be made

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., March 4 1868.

Rt Capt W James Kay
Chief Subdist Comm'r
Paducah, Ky.
Captain:

You are hereby authorized to purchase and issue to destitute freedmen in your City two hundred (200) bushels of coal per month until April 30th 1868, This will be issued to prevent actual suffering.

Each case will be investigated.


You will take the receipt of each person (on a Receipt Roll) to whom you issue coal; The signature must be witnessed by a person not yourself.

You will forward your requisition to this Office for two hundred (200) bushels of coal which you will account for using the Receipt Roll as a voucher to cover the expenditure.

Send vouchers for payment at the end of the month.

Very respectfully,

Your Obedt Servant.


Rt Colonel A Sa
Chief Supdr

3 March 68

Wm. R. Smith
Ch. Colwell
Chief Deputy Sec

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Burbank, Sydney
Asst. Commr. of Ky.

Louisville, Ky
March 3rd 1868

Instructs Capt. Kay
in cases where cer-
tain offences have
been committed, and
the parties are too
poor to pay for
transportation to en-
able them to appear
before a U. S. Com-
missioner, to pursue
the within named
course of action &c.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., March 3rd 1868.

Bl Capt. A. James Kay
Sub. Comr
Paducah Ky.
Care

I am directed by Bl Brig Gen
Sidney Burbank Act Comr State of Kenty, to instruct you
in cases where freedmen have been murdered, or shot
and wounded, or freedwomen raped, and the parties
are too poor to pay for transportation, to enable them
to appear before a U. S. Commissioner, to send the names
of the witnesses together with a statement of what
their testimony will be, to this Office, upon the receipt
of which transportation will be sent you, to enable
the parties to appear before the U. S. Commissioner.

There is now no longer any obstacle whatever in
the way of bringing the cases properly before the
U. S. Commissioner, and the Assistant Commissioner
trusts that evil does will go no longer unwhipped
of justice.

I am very respectfully,
Your Obedt Servant.

(over)

3 March 68

Wm. P. Russell
 Lt. Colonel U.S.A.
 Chief of Staff &c

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Burbank, Sydney
 Asst. Commr. of Ky.

Louisville, Ky
 March 3rd 1868

Instruct to Capt. May
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 missioner, to pursue
 the within named
 course of action &c.

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Paducah Ky 9, 1868
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Ray W. James.

James' requisition
for fuel for destitute
Prisoners for March 68 and
requisite fuel must be issued
instead of coal

(1 Encl.)

Let to L.
to be paid by
at all of our
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single by mail
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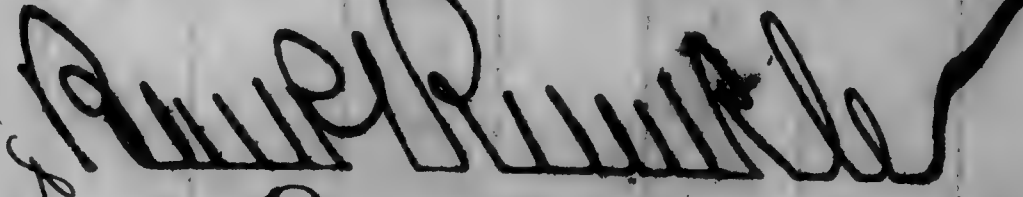
Recd A.C. Ky. March 10 1868

Bureau R. F. and A. Bonds.
Chief Comm's Office State Ky
Louisville March 12 68

Respectfully returned to
Capt. W. James Ray,
Chief Sub assistant re
Paducah Ky who will
send to this Office at
the end of month, requi-
sition in duplicate for
the actual amount of
fuel issued during the
month.

By order of
Bt. Brig. Genl S. Burbank
Asst Comm State Ky

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Bt. Col. N.S.A.
Chief Deputy

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Office Chief Agent, Western Sub-District,

Paducah, Ky., March 7th 1868.

Br. Col. Geo. D. Runkle Refd
 Chief Superintendent
 Louisville Ky

Colonel:

In compliance with your communication of 1st Inst. I have the honor to forward blank requisitions for fuel for distribution to destitute Freedmen during the month of March 1868. with the request that the requisitions be filled "Wood" instead of "Coal" as none of the destitute Freedmen have stoves or grates adapted to burning coal. (Wood can be purchased at 1/3 per cord)

Very Respectfully
 Your Obedt. Servant
 W. James Kay
 Chief Subd Agent

Please return answer.

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Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Sick
Office for Capt. Comstock
Juniata by April 10 1868
Burbank, J.

Respectfully
Chief Supt. M. J. -

Call for report of such
and every building used
as school houses in the
Paducah Dist. that has
been purchased or con-
structed by this Bureau
in Capt. Key's Administration
of his predecessors - etc.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Sick
Office Chief Supt. Com
Paducah by April 10 1868

Respectfully returned to Mr.
Colonel B. M. Stimpert
Chief Superintendent of
with the information
that no buildings used
for school purposes have
been constructed or purch-
ased with the funds of
this Bureau.

Chief Supt. Com

End of file

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky.,

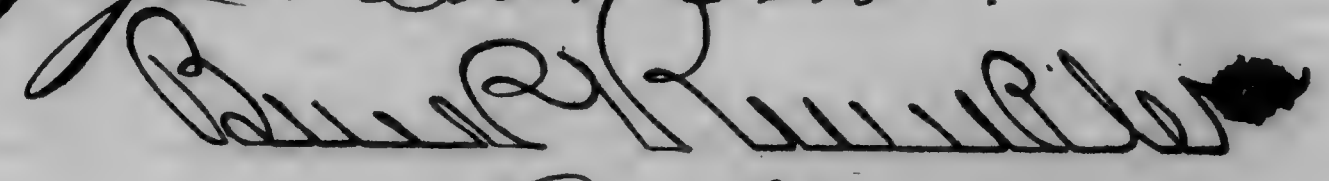
April 10th 1868.

Pt. Capt. W. James Kay
Chief Subst. Commissioner
Paducah, Ky.
Sir:

I am directed by
Pt. Brig Genl Sidney Burbank, Asst Comr. State, Ky.,
to instruct you to forward to this Office, without delay
a report of each and every building which has been
constructed or purchased from the funds of this
Bureau during your administration or that of your
predecessors for school purposes in your District,
giving as near as possible the cost thereof in
each case and the dimensions of the buildings.

This does not refer to buildings simply re-
paired.

Very respectfully,
Your Obedt. Servt.


Bt. Colonel V. G. A.
Chief Suptre

Sumner, N. S. and J. B. [unclear]
Office, Subaltern 2nd [unclear] 154
Columbus by [unclear]

Liscum D. S.
Capt W. B. D. [unclear]
Subaltern. I. R. P. S.

Makes application for
a supply of blanks for
use on the list

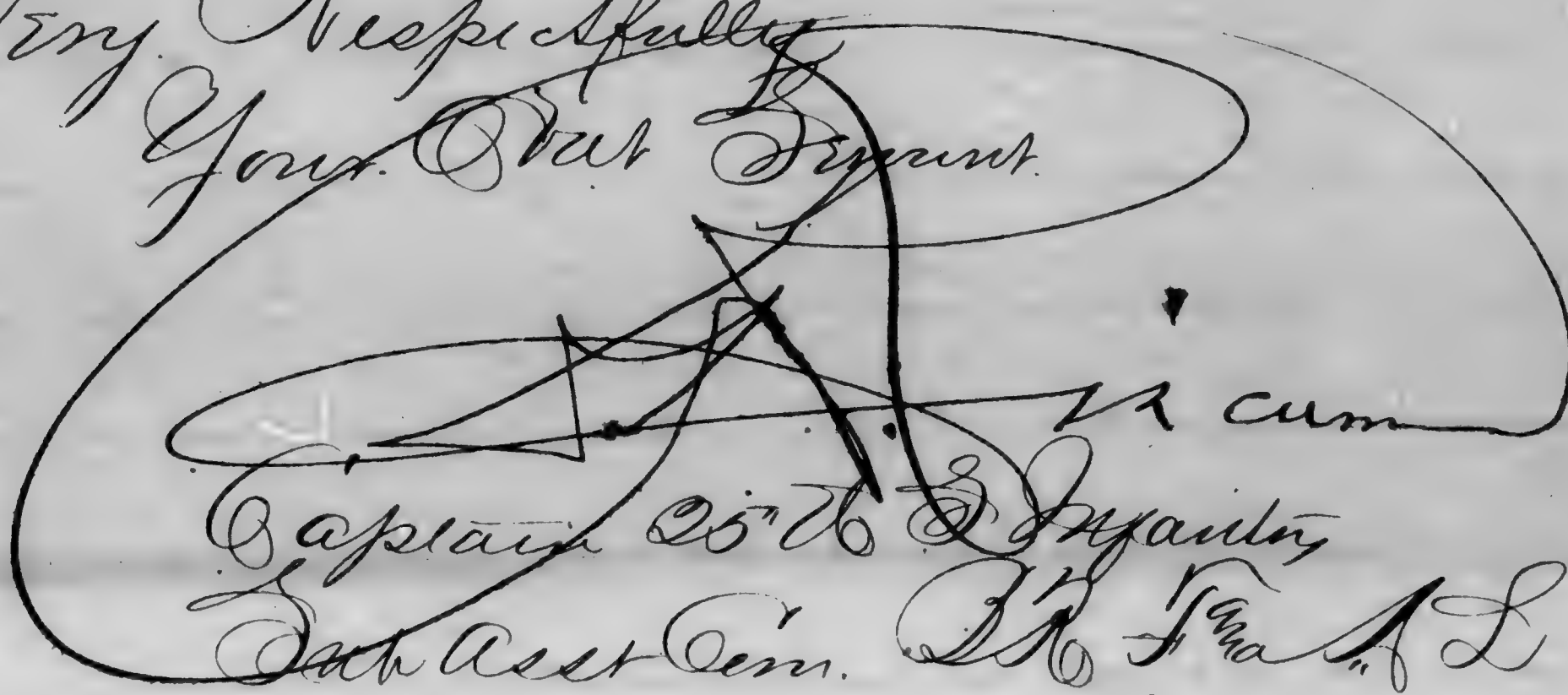
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Bureau. R. I. ^{4th} A. L. Sands.
Office Sub. Asst. Com. 2^d Sub. Dist. Paducah Dist
Columbus Kentucky. April 21st 1868

Sir.

I have the honor to request a supply of the follow-
ing blanks for use in the District. viz
"Teachers Monthly School Report" (See Form No 3)
"Sub. Asst. Commissioner's Monthly Report" (See Form No 4)

I am, Sir,

Very Respectfully
Yours Obedt Servant.


Captain C. B. D. Dugan
Sub Asst Com. R. I. ^{4th} A. L.

To
Capt. Col. P. J. Swain U. S. A.
Chf. Sub Asst Com. Bureau. R. I. ^{4th} A. L.
Paducah Dist
Paducah Kentucky

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Office Subass Comm 2^d Subseries ^{Paducah} ^{reisy}

Columbus Ky Apr 25 66

Liscum O. S.
Capt 28th & Infantry
Sub Ass Comm B. R. & A. S.

Transmits his Report as
Subass Comm. 4th for April &
Report of R. S. & A. S. and
Teachers monthly School Report
for April 1866 - of the School
at this place and states that
he has not received any report
of the School at Hickman
and has been unable to visit
said School

Bureau. R. J. M. S. Lands.
 Office Sub. Ass. Com. 9th Dist. Paducah Dist
 Columbus Kentucky April 25th 1868

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith my Report
 as Sub. Ass. Com. 9th for April 68 - Report of Bureau
 R. J. M. S. Lands for April 68 and Teachers Monthly
 School Report for April 68 of the School at this place
 I have not received any report of the school, as
 Nickman and have been unable to visit said School
 since assuming the duties of Sub Ass. Com. 9th. These
 are the only reports I have to make over. as I was
 informed by Lt. Collier whom I desired
 Very Respectfully Yours O. D. S. Evans

[Signature]

Capt 35th Regt. Ill. Inf. 1st Div. 1st Corps

To
 For Com. J. J. Evans U.S.A.
 Chief Sub Ass. Com. 9th Dist. W. S.
 Paducah Dist
 Paducah Ky

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L. B. A. 245. No 168

Office Asst Com. State

Lowville Apr 29 68

Burbank by
Runkle J. D.

1st Col. N.Y. Chief Det

Inform Capt. E. B. Secum for
Asst Com. In relation to
the school of Heistman
as to the duty of the Teacher
in forwarding reports re
as to the payment of Rent
and instructs him to
apply to Col. Swaine
for an order to visit the
said school.

L. B. A. 245. No 168

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I am a Refugee Freedman & stand under
Office Apt. Commr. State of Kentucky
Louisville Ky April 29th 1868
Capt. E. M. Liscum
Sib Apt Commr
Columbus Ky
Captain.

Referring to your letter of April
18th 1868 I am directed by Rot. Brig. Genl.
S. T. Burbank Asst Commr. State of Ky. to
inform you that the school of Hick-
man referred to by you is understood
to have been opened some days since.
The name of the teacher is not known
at this office, it never having been re-
ported. It is the duty of said teacher
(who is a white lady) to send you a report
on the 20th of each month.

Rent will be paid for
the house only for the time during which
the school is actually in operation.
You had better apply to Col Swaine
for an order to visit the school.

I am very Respectfully
your Obedient Servant
Rsn R. R. R.

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Rt. Col. H. F. A
Chief Capt. R.

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T. Quincy
Opt Comd Office State H.
Savannah Ga 29/68

L.R. "S" 245. No 16 3/4

T. B. Burbank
Don. C.

W. Col. H. S. S.

Chief. Sept 50

Instructions kept E. D.
Liscum sub Opt Com.
re to treat upon but
one subject in the same
communication when
addressing that Office
Calls attention to Par.
12, Bureau Manual.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands
Assistant Commissioner Office State of Ky
Louisville Ky April 30th 1868

Capt. E. M. Liscum
Sub. Asst. Commr
Columbus Ky

Captain:-

Referring to your letter of
April 25th 1868 I am directed by
Bot. Brig. Genl. S. Durbant Asst. Commr.
State of Kentucky to instruct you to
write hereafter only on one subject
in each letter in accordance with
Par 12. Bureau Manual, which applies
as well to the Asst. Commr as the Commr.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

(Sd) B. R. Runkle

Br Col H. S. Army

Chief Supd &c

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Inventor of the
Office of the
Louisville Ky April 30 68

Downs
Lieut. Col. P.
Ch. Col. W. A. Chief Supt.

S. P. A. 245. No 165.

Instructions left
Lieut. Col. P. to
take measures towards
opening a School at
Milburn Kentucky - To
rent a House and for-
ward name of person
size of House. No of rooms
c. And make application
to Apt Com Office for
a teacher.

Office of the
Squadron Apr 30 68

J. B. Burdett

Dr. Karl. M. A. Chief of Staff

Instructs Capt. Loomis
to investigate and re-
port on the payment
of certain money to
the Teachers of the School
at Columbus. Says that
the understanding is
that they have received
fully sufficient funds
for Board and Lodging.

L.R. A. 246. N. 1/66

Copy-

Bureau Refugee. Freedmen & Lands
Assistant Commr. Office State of Ky.
Louisville Ky April 30th 1868.

Capt. E. M. Liscum

Sub. Asst. Commr.

Columbus Ky.

Captain

Referring to your letter of April 22nd 1868, in which you make statements regarding the pay and emoluments of the teacher of colored school at Columbus Ky. I am directed by Rtr. Brig. Genl. & Assistant Asst Commr. State of Ky to inform you that it has been the understanding of this office that the scholars have barely paid sufficient tuition to defray the expenses of the ^{teacher} for board and lodging and that the State of Kentucky has never paid the \$2.50 per child or any part thereof. Though the civil officials have often promised to do.

You will investigate thoroughly and report whether this understanding is correct or not.

I am Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

(Sgd.)

Ben J. Runkle

Rt. Col. 16. S. Army
Chap. Secy -

Received by
Office of the
Surrender April 29. 66

LR. A. 246, No 167

D. Burdett
Comilla Town -
St. Col. W. C. Chase

Forward, Copy of letter
from apt Comm office
State Ms. dated March
25. 1868. In relation to
transportation for those
colored people who have
come before the U. S. Com
and are not able to
pay their way to his
office -

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Pursuant to the order of the Hon. S. S. S. S.
Assistant Comm^r Office State of Ky.
Louisville, Ky April 29th 1868
Captain & Co. S. S. S.
Sub. Cpt. Comm^r
Columbus Ky.

Captain,

Referring to your letter of April
23^d 1868, in which you state "I find that
the colored people have many griev-
ances at the hands of white persons
their cases from order may be taken
to the U. S. Court, but the U. S. Com-
missioner is at Paducah which is
a bar to a great many for they have
not the means to visit that point in
person. as their cases are without redress
and directed by Bvt. Brig. Genl. S. B. B.
West Corner State of Ky to inclose copy
of letter from this Office dated March
3^d 1868.

Very Respectfully
Yours Obedient Servant

Rt Col. W. F. Army
Chas. S. S. S.

Bureau of Land &
Office of the State Survey
Louisville, Ky. April 27, 1868

LR "A" 246, No 168

Burbank &
Cattle Farm
At Col. Wm. Chaffin's

Says that no authority
has been granted for
the hiring of a school
at Chalk Run, Ky.

Bureau Refugees Freedmen & Abol. Lands
Assistant Commissioner Office State of Ky
Louisville Ky April 29th 1868
Capt E. H. S. S. S.
Sub Apt Commr.
Columbus Ky.

Captain

Referring to your letter of April
18th 1868. I am directed by (Maj. Genl. S. D. Banks) Apt Commr. State of Ky
to inform you that no authority
has been granted from this office
to pay rent for a school at Chalk
Bluff Ky.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
(psd) Ben F. H. H.
Rt. Col. U. S. Army
Chief Supt

Presented by
Capt. Conrad
April 27 1868

Presented by
Hon. B. W. Col.
Chief Supt. State Sch.

LVB. 846. M 169

Inform Capt. Conrad
that
authority to rent a
school house at
Columbus and one
at Hestman by at
\$30. per month for each
for the benefit of the
teachers of said schools
direct the manner at
and when reports of
persons and articles em-
ployed which should
be made up &c &c

Copy

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands
Office Asst. Commissioner, State of Kentucky
Louisville Ky April 29th 1868
Captain J. W. Liscum

Sub Asst. Commissioner
Columbus Ky.

Captain:

Referring to your letter of April 15th 1868, I am directed by Rob. Brig. Genl. S. Burbank Asst. Commr. State of Ky. to inform you that rent has been authorized to be paid for two schools in your Sub Dist to wit - One at Columbus Ky from Nov 1st 1867 at a rent of thirty (\$30) dollars per month payable to Andrew Fuller -

One at Hickman Ky from Feb 1st 1868 at a rent of thirty (\$30) dollars per month payable to Valentine Meason

It is ^{the} understanding that the person to whom this rent is paid transfers it to the teacher to support the school -

It is your duty on the 25th of each month to send in, to the Chief Sub. Asst. Commr. your report (No 2) of "Persons and Articles hired" You bear on this report the School Houses rented and send with it vouchers on No 22

signed by the person from whom we
rent the building. These vouchers are
forwarded by the Chief Sub Asst Commr.
with consolidated report of "Persons
and Articles hired" and when ordered
are paid by the Chief Disbursing Officer.

The Chief Disbursing Officer then
sends you a check payable to the
order of the lessor of the building and
you take, and return his receipt en-
closed on the letter of Transmittal for
the same. The leasing and paying is
all done by the Disbursing Officer un-
der direction of the Asst. Commissioner
and you have no responsibility in the
matter further than set forth above.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

(280)

Bon J. Russell

Rt. Col U S Army

Chief Supt.

Smithville Ky April 1868

Dr A. H. 24 7/10 70
Dr H. H. 1/10 70

Quintle Don
Bt Col 25th Pa. Inf. Lt.

Inform Capt Liscum
Sub Lt Commr. That
all pay m^{ts} of Colant
Soldiers back pay and
bounty comes through
that office. That when
a person calls who has
a claim on the Govt
that has been forwarded
to Washington Ill. for
the Sup^r to take m^{ts}
Les. Regt. Providence Ex
name of attorney &
forward the m^{ts} to
his office the money
will be paid as soon
allowed and forwarded

copy
Bureau Refuges, Freedmen & Abol. Lands
Assistant Commissioners Office State of Ky
Louisville Ky April 29th 1868.

Captain E. H. Lescum,
Subt. Capt Centre
Columbus Ky
Captain,

Referring to your letter of April
23rd 1868. in which you state "Please in-
form me what action on my part
is required in the case of colored peo-
ple presenting their papers for Bounties,
already a number have placed their
papers in the hands of Agents, there is
one at this point, there is another at
Cairo Illinois and others still at Wash-
ington D.C. who have papers pertain-
ing to Bounties claims of ^{colored} people at
this place." I am directed by Rob. Ric-
ard, Genl. S. Gustave Capt. Comm. State of
Kentucky to inform you that all
payments of Bounties to colored sol-
diers are made through this Office.

Upon any colored soldier applying
at your Office for information concern-
ing his claim, in cases where the same
has been forwarded to Washington, you
over

forward his name, Rank, Company
Regiment and present residence and name
of Attorney who prosecuted his claim
and the money will be sent you as soon
as the claim is allowed and paid. See
Circulars No 16. dated April 17th 1867. No 19
dated May 27th 1867. and No 1 dated Mch
14th 1868. Commissioners Office Washington
D.C. and Circular No 9. dated Nov
22nd 1867. Office Assy. Commissioner State
of Kentucky.

I am Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

Wm. H. T. Army
Chief Supr &c

Samuel P. Smith. Jr. Surgeon

Off. & Sub Asst Comd. Sub. Sec. Cadmus

Columbus Ky May 31

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Lucas Co. Ill.

Capt 25th & 3d Infantry

Sub Asst Comd. V.

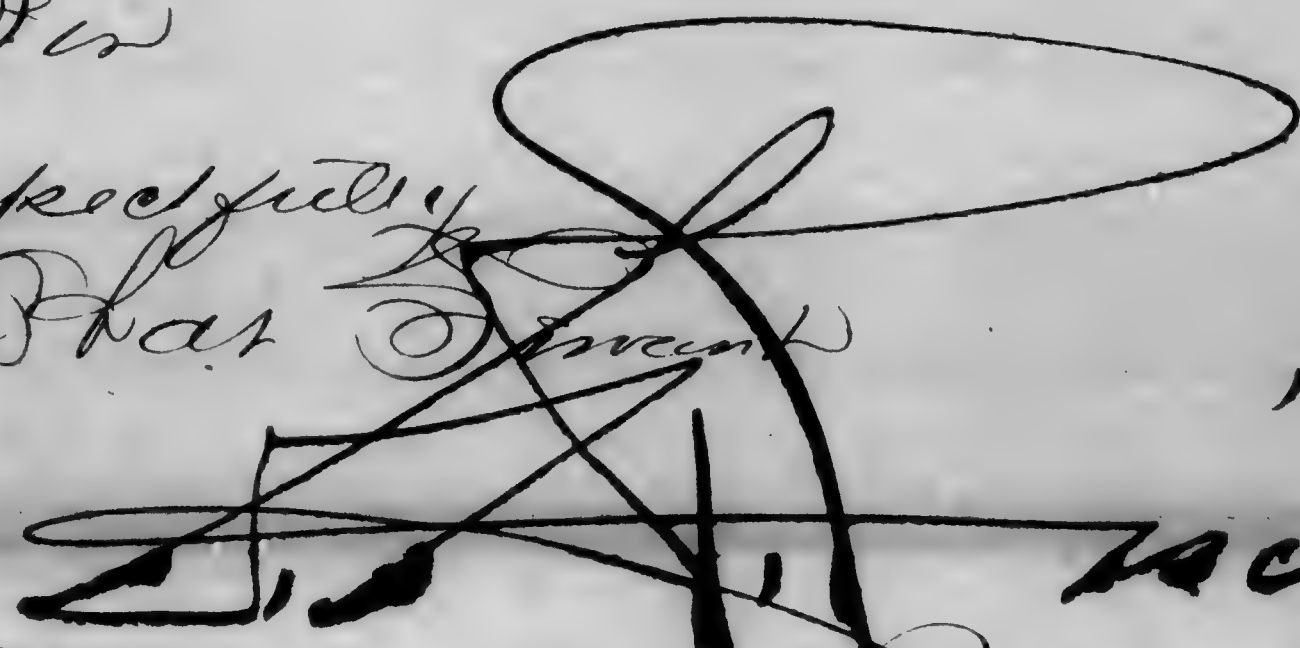
Request a supply of General
"Teachess. Monthly School
Reports" for use at this
place - the au. furnished
a short time ago having
been given to the Teacher
at Hickman Ky

P. R. S. and S. S. Sande
Office Sub Ass Com 2^d Sub Dist Paducah Dist
Columbu Ky May 5th 1868

Sir

I have the honor to request a supply of Blank
"Teachers Monthly School Reports" for use at
this place - The blank furnished me a
short time ago were given to the Teacher at
Hickman Ky

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Yours Obedt Servant


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Capt W. S. Dwyer
Sub Ass Com 2^d Sub Dist

To
Supt. Col. J. S. Swannick
Chief Sub Ass Com. Bureau R. S. and S. S.
Paducah Dist -
Paducah Kentucky

1868

Discharge

May 10

Received of

Directs Colonel
Gwain to buy such
lot as he deems best
\$450.

received

has

order

the

But Col

W

Paul

Payable May 10 1868

Received at Richmond May 10

To Col P. H. Smith

Pay such lot as you deem
best at four hundred ~~and~~ and
fifty 750 dollars by order
of Gen. Burbank

O. P. Burkle

Ant. Col. N. S. A.

W. O.

Paid

James R. A. 1868

Office Apt Comr. State Ky
Louisville Ky May 9th 1868
Barbark. J. Per

Respectfully
Remt. Jm. D

Bt. Col. U. S. Army
Chief Supt. State Ky

Forwards fifty copies of Euler
A. C. from Apt Comr.
Office State of Ky Adm
from Louisville Ky May
9th 1868. for distribution
amongst Sub Apt Comr.
to be read in the colored
churches and schools at
least once in 20 days

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky.,

May 9th 1868

Bt Col P. J. Swain,
Chief S. A. Commr &c
Paducah Ky.
Colonel

I have the honor
by direction of Bt Brig Genl S. Burbank,
appropr State of Ky.
to transmit herewith fifty (50) Copies of Cir-
cular No 6, from this office of May 2, 1868
for use of yourself & Sub Assist Commr

You will cause it to be explained
to the freedmen that this law renders
null & void the transfer directly or indirectly
of any interest whatever in their claims
for bounty whether the same be in the
shape of a loan or purchase.

Please acknowledge receipt without
delay

Very respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

~~Reuben R. R. R.~~
Bt Colonel U.S.A.
Chief Supt & S.O.

1849 A.D.
Genl. A. L.
West Coast Office State
Louisville Va May 13. 68

Burbank, Sydney, per
Tunk's Am.
Br Col. V. S. A.
Chief Justice

Direct: That inquiry
be made for the whole
about of certain Col
soldier &c

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., May 13 1865

Brok Col. P. T. Sprayne
 Chief Sub Asst Comm.
 Paducah Ky.

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I am directed


by Brok Brig Genl Sidney Burbank Asst Commr.
 to instruct you to make diligent inquiries to ascertain
 the whereabouts of the following named colored soldiers

Richard Brinkwell Tucker of Joseph Thomas (deceased)
 Late Private Co. A. 107 U.S.C.T.

William Jones	"	"	C	1000	"
Newton Evans	"	"	E	12	" H.A.
Robert Lottley	"	"	A	12	" "
Thomas Montgomery	Sergeant	"	A	12	" "

You will publish these names in all the colored
 Churches and Schools in your district and use
 every means in your power to obtain the desired
 information.

Very Respectfully:

Yours Obedt Servant


Brok Col. W. A. Visscher St. Ky.

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Bureau B. P. A. S.
Office Capt Corner &c
Louisville Ky May 20th 68

Barbark, J. per
J. M. B. B. B.
A. Col. H. J. A.
Chief Supt &c

In relation to The
purchase of a lot
for Dedman school
house &c &c

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., May 20th 1868.

Brig. Gen. P. T. Sherman, U.S.A.

Chief Sub. Commr. &c

Paducah, Ky.

Colonel:

I am directed by Br.
Brig. Gen. S. P. Burbank, Assistant Commissioner State of
Ky. to instruct you to inform this Office what action
has been taken toward procuring a lot to erect a
school house for freedmen at Paducah, Ky.

I telegraphed you on May 10. 1868. to buy a
suitable lot for four hundred and fifty dollars (\$450)

The house must go up and if we cannot purchase
a lot for four hundred and fifty dollars (\$450) it will
have to be built on the Markland lot.

Buy any lot which you think will do at four hundred
and fifty dollars (\$450).

Please report your action at once

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.

Wm. R. R. R.

Br. Colonel U.S.A. Chief Supt.

Bureau. P. S. M. S.
Offici. Sub App. Com. &
P. Sub. Miss. P. S. M. S.
Columbus. Ky. May 23rd 1861

Specimen P. S.
Capt 25th Regt Infants
Sub App. Com. &

States that it is necessary
to visit Nickman Ky. before
rendering his reports for May
and that he will go - He will
this prior opportunity he will
have had - and will render
his Reports immediately upon
his return

James P. S. Sands
Office Sub. Asst. Com. 2^d Sub. Dist. Paducah Dist
Columbus Ky. May 25th 1868

Sir

It is necessary for me to visit Hickman Ky
before rendering my reports as Sub. Asst. Com. 2^d
for May 1868 - I will go there, in tomorrow -
the first opportunity I have had - and will
render my reports immediately upon my return.

I am, Sir
Very Respectfully
Yours, Wm. S. Sands

~~Wm. S. Sands~~
Capt. 25th Regt. Infanteries
Sub. Asst. Com. 2^d

Prof. P. S. Swaine U.S.A.
Chief Sub. Asst. Com. 2^d Sub. Dist.
Paducah Ky

Columbus. Ky. 196
May 27th 1868

Museum C. S. A.
Capt Geo. W. D. Ingham
Sub. Asst Com 4th

Enc. Monthly written
Report of the operations
of the Bureau. C. S. A. and
C. S. I. for Q^{tr} Subvise
Paducah Dist. - for month
of May. 1868

Monthly written Report of the operations of the
Bureau. P. 2nd. S. D. for month of May, 1861. for
S. D. Sub. Dist. Paducah Dist. S. D. at Columbus Ky

Clothing

Amount required - 10 suits - 5 women and 5
men's suits. - There are for old people - one or two -
have been to me for clothing, but there is none in
hand.

General Condition of Freed people.

The general condition of the Freed people in this Sub
Dist so far as has been brought to my notice - compares
favorably with the condition of the whites. - they
seem to be more easily satisfied than poor people
North. - but at the same time are becoming poorer
in the care for themselves. The Civil Authorities
have lately made arrests and after a preliminary
trial, bound over to regular Court. Detainees their
figure for bail is unjust and too I am inclined
to believe this thing is done without much form
of law. One old man recently for taking a boat
across the river, but returning with it hurried, was
sent to Clinton Jail - under \$1000 bonds, and obliged
to walk all the way, 12 miles, and then to keep
himself out of jail. They allow him to work out
his fare. There was a N. B. Com. here to whom

colored people could appear, and have their
 cases taken away from these Courts. I believe men
 of fair handed justice would be given them - as it is
 they are largely able to support a large number of colored people
 in false charges, as I have only the authority to make
 representations to the Bureau of the State and
 await instructions and then my other duties occupy
 me so it is tardy at best which would not be provided
 a Com. with authority to take their cases out of these
 Courts and transfer them to the U. S. Courts, were at
 hand -

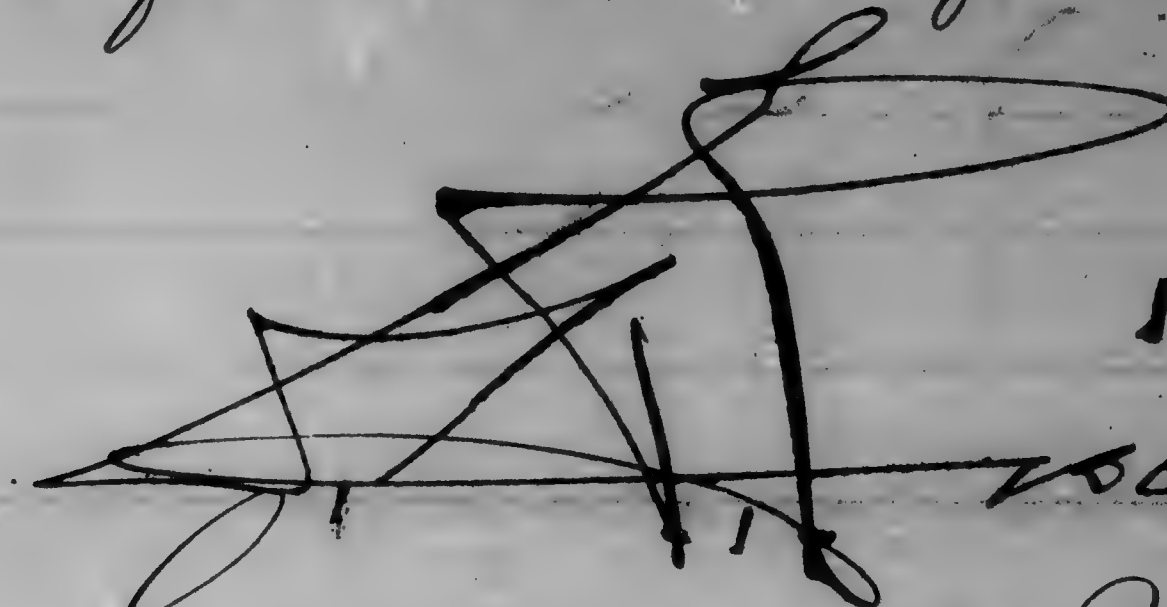
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In one Report

Schools

I think it the wish of the colored people here to
 support their own school and in such manner as they
 see fit by providing themselves with a teacher.
 I do believe the woman teaching here is giving the
 freed people to a very great extent and I am very
 much inclined to doubt the correctness of her reported
 acceptance from the freed people. - They assure me
 they all pay \$1.00 per month as well as for books.
 I respectfully refer to my letter of April 22^d, 1861 in
 relation to the receipts from this school &c. and my
 opinion therein stated. I see only cause to establish
 me in my opinion stated therein. I found the
 School at Keokuk in excellent condition - the
 teacher receiving only the rent of the building

for her services, having her board, fuel, &c. paid
 for by the colored people. I have been too much
 occupied with my duties at this Post to visit Keokuk
 to establish a school there - will next visit
 place the first of next week and forward report


 Capt. C. S. D. Infantry
 Dub. Terr. Com. &c.

Columbus, Ky.
 May 27th 1861

3d. Inf. Regt. 1st. Div. 1st. Corps
of Sub. Dist. Paducah Dist.
Columbus Ky. May 1861

Specimen of 196
Capt. 5th U. S. Infantry
Sub. Dist. 1st. Div. 1st. Corps

"Numerous" Reports
and Returns of his Sub.
Dist. for month of May
1861.

Thos. R. S. ^{Ind} S. Sands.
Office Sub. Asst. Com. G. S. Sub. Dist. Paducah River
Columbus Ky. May 1868

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith
the following Reports and Returns - of my
Sub. Dist. for the month of May 1868 viz
Report of Bureau. R. S. ^{Ind} S. Sands
Monthly Report of Sub. Asst. Com.
Dist. Super. Monthly School Report
Report of Persons and Articles Received for June & May
Sub. Report in Writing (monthly)

I also enclose
"Teacher's Monthly School Report" of the School
at Columbus Ky and the one at Hickman.
Very Respectfully Yrs. Your Servant

To
Col. P. B. Brame W. B. A.
Ch. Sub. Asst. Com. G. S. A. S.
Paducah River
Paducah Ky

~~Thos. R. S. Sands~~
Capt. W. S. S. S. S.
Sub. Asst. Com. G. S.

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Tunau. P. O. No. 12
Office Subaltern. & Subaltern
Columbus. No. June 7th

Licence. E. S.
Capt 25th S. D. D. D.
Sub. Sub. Sub.

Requests a supply of
Raua for use in his
Sub. Sub. for month of
June 1864

Bureau. Refugee Freedmen and A. L. Lande
Office Sub. Test Com. 2^d Sub. Dist. Paducah Dist
Columbus Ky June 1st 1868

Sir

I have the honor to request a supply of
the following blanks for use in the Sub
Dist during the month of June 1868 viz.

Report Bureau. R. P. A. L. Lande.
West Superintendents Mo. School Report
Col. Form No 4 Sub. Test Com. or Agt. School Report
Report of. Persons. And. Articles employed or used
to be made up on No 2^d form with "Vouchers" on form 22^d
Monthly Return of Bonds pertaining to Bureau (Form 15.)

Teachers Monthly School Report
Forwarded Very Respectfully. Your Obedt Servant

Sub. Col. P. D. Francis W. A.
S. Sub. Test Com. Paducah Dist
Paducah
Kentucky

~~A. L. Lande~~
Capt. 25th Mo. S. Infantry
Sub. Test Com. 4th

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Office Sub asst
2^d Sub asst
Columbus Ky June 5th 1868

Lycum E. H.
Capt 25th U S Infantry
Sub asst

State that it has been
reported to him that -
the "Klux Klan" are commit-
ting outrages upon colored
people at Hickman Ky
and asks for instructions
in the premises

Recd A. C. O. Ky June 12-1868

Bureau R. F. & A. Land
Asst Comdr Office, Ky
Louisville June 13. 68

Respectfully returned to
Capt E. H. Lycum, I.
A. Comdr, Columbus Ky
1st Regt A. D. G. & Paducah
Dist, If no report
is received from Maj
Torbert, Capt Lycum
will proceed to Hick-
man, as soon as he
can leave his post,
and investigate this
case -

This paper to be
returned -

By order of
Bk Brig Genl S. Burbank
Geo. F. Burnett,
Bk Captain U. S. A.
A. A. A. Genl

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Bureau R. F. & A. Land
Office 1st Sub asst
Paducah Ky June 11. 68
Respectfully forwarded
to Capt E. H. Lycum
B. J. A. Sub asst Comdr
Columbus Ky.

The Chief Sub asst
Comdr Paducah Dist
supposes that the forward-
ing of this letter must be
invisibly was a clerical
mistake, to be avoided
in future.

P. J. Swann
Major 25th Infy
Bk. Col. U. S. Army
Chief Sub asst Comdr.
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Sumner. R. S. and S. Lander
Office Sub. Asst. Capt. 9th Sub. Dist. Paducah West
Columbus Ky. June 3rd 1861
Sir -

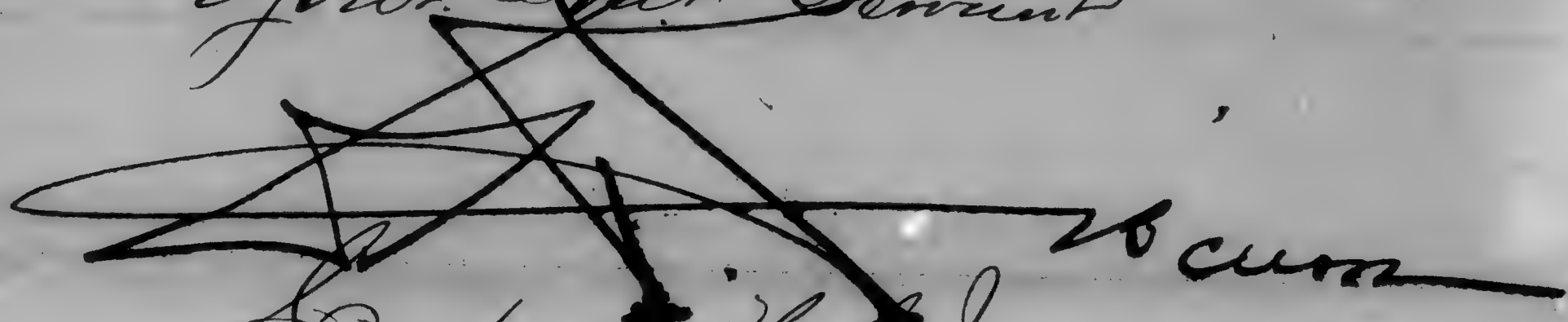
Yesterday I received notice from the School
Teacher at Hickman and through a citizen of
town in a letter to him of outrages upon colored
people at that place. I am alone in
command at this Post - 1st Lt. Kinney
sick and 2nd Lt. Canton of my Company away
on seven days' leave - and I immediately
wrote Sub. Maj. Torbert of my Regiment stationed
at Kansas City. in command - enclosing both
letters asking him to see to the case as I was
alone here. What further measures will I
take? The teacher represented that the "New York
Regt" were the ones committing the outrages -
had killed one black man and taken from
from others. This is all I know of the affair.
There appears to be something in the report
coming from our friends as it did to me
I await instructions before doing anything
over.

Further - meantime Major Fordell may
have attended to it himself.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully


Yours Obedt Servant


Capt. J. J. Dugan
Sub Ass. Comm.

Sub Col. J. J. Dugan U.S.A.
His Off. J. J. Dugan State of Ky
Louisville Ky

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Bureau R. & A. Lands
Office Subass Com. & Sub. Sec.
Paducah District
Columbus, Ky June 26th 1868

Respectfully returned with
enclosed report in compliance
with endorsement from Office
Asst Com. R. & A. Lands
of Ky dated Louisville June 15th 1868


Capt 25th Reg. Inf.
Sub Asst Com. R.

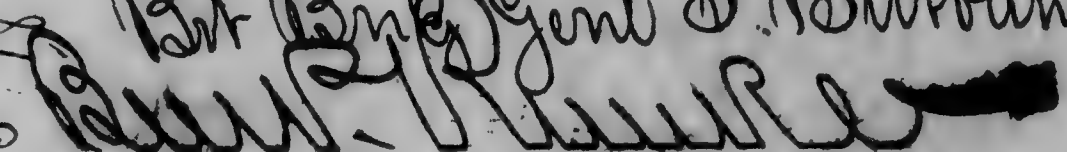
Bureau R. & A. Lands
Office Chief Sub. Asst. Com.
Paducah Ky June 27th 1868

Respectfully forwarded
to Jt. Col. Rev. P. J. Smith
St. L. O. Chief Sub. Asst. Com.
Louisville Ky June 27th 1868

P. J. Smith
Major 25th Reg. Inf.
Jt. Col. R. & A. Lands
Chief Sub. Asst. Com.
Recd back A. L. O. R. July 4th 1868

Bureau R. & A. Lands
Asst Com. Office Ky.
Louisville July 7th 1868

Respectfully referred to B.
St. Boston, Esq. W. D. District
Attorney for his information
and such action as he may
deem necessary.

By order
Bt Brig Genl S. Burbank

Bt Col W. D. Army
Chief Sub. Asst. Com.

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Bureau N. & A. L.
Asst Commis Office State Ky.
Louisville July 17. 68.

Respectfully referred
to Bt. Capt. A. Benson
Brown, Chief Sub Asst Comm
Paducah Ky., who will,
if possible obtain affida-
vits against the persons
who took part in killing
William Yorkan (Colored)
mentioned within and for-
ward the same to this Of-
fice with these papers.

By order of
Bt. Brig Genl S. Burbank

Levi L. Burnett

Bt. Capt U.S.A.

End 885.18 - A. A. A. Seal

Recd. R. C. S. A. C. N. L. Sh. 1
July 25th 1868

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Bureau. P. & D. Lanes.
Office Sub Accor Com &
Columbus Ky June 26th 68

Liscum C. H.
Capt 25th U. S. Infantry
Sub Accor Com &

Report of his investigation
into the alleged murder of
William Goran, colored, near
Hickman Ky. on May 30th 1868

Parties unknown
What more can be done!

Office U. S. Attorney
Louisville Ky July 1st 68

Respectfully returned to
Br Col Am P Summels
Chief Supts,

I have no power
to take any step in this
Case until I am
furnished an affidavit
charging some one or
more persons with the
Crime. Nor am I
able to suggest any
lawful mode of
proceeding in such
a Case in the absence
of such affidavit.

B. H. P. Fortson

U. S. Attorney D.

to B. H. P. Fortson
Recd back A. C. O. Ky July 8-1868

Bureau. Refugee. Freedmen ^{Ref} A. Lander
Office Sub Sec Genl 2^d Sub Dist Paducah Dist
Columbus Ky June 26th 1868

Sir

I have the honor to render the following report of investigation into the alleged murder of William. Gosman a colored man, near Hickman Ky. I proceeded yesterday the 25th met at Union City Tenn and from there, in the saddle, about 8 miles out toward Hickman, and visited the following named colored men - viz: Isham Beaway, Jacob Beaway, George Coghill, ^{2nd} Walker Smith, from whom I learn that that three weeks ago, last Saturday, which would be the 30th day of May 1868 a party of some of them saw five ^{and} other eleven eleven visited the little huts of each one of these men mentioned, together with five or six others whose names I have not mentioned because all agreed in their statements - with those mentioned above, at hours from 11 to nearly day light Sunday morning, demanding admittance with loud demonstrations and threats, and in each

when they immediately proceeded
to the colored people of their Rifles Guns and
ammunition representing themselves to be armen dead Rebels
who could drink a barrel of water and the like yarn.
During the night they visited the house of Gato Yokan
when they found the son of Yokan who escaping from
the house ran away, the party followed and firing killed
the colored man and left him in the path in the woods.
The party was armed and presented their revolvers in almost
every instance to the heads of the colored people whose houses
they visited in their lawless rampage. I am unable to
ascertain who the parties were, while each one was accused
in their own mind, and all agreed upon the following
young villains, sons of the wealthiest people about that section
of country being in the party, - none of them felt able to
swear to the fact to make it proof. Because of each member
of the party being masked, all judged them from their
voices and from the horses they rode. viz. Jeff Alexander
Robert and Samuel McConnell, Marsh Glenn,
Charlie Miles^{2nd} and David W. Deaugh. — at each

place they threatened the people and
if they looked out of doors for a certain time
10 to 15 minutes. At the hut of Jacob Hight which was
visited, upon his (Hight), running away from them
after having been brought out of the house by them, they
fired at him several times (six times) wounding him
in the stomach, the ball grazing the skin. Mr. McConnell
and Mr. Marsh the fathers of these young fellows whose
names are mentioned above, have told those of the colored
people that if they talked of this affair they would
be murdered by the "Ku. Klux Klan" and seem quite
anxious to ascertain from the colored people, who in their
opinion the party was that visited their houses. These
young fellows of the party, told the daughter of Parson
Coghier to tell their colored man George - (who it was, stated
proposed to inform the Genl. & Officer at Brown City Tenn),
if he said any thing about the affair he would be
murdered and that if he informed the troops at Brown
City of the case and soldiers came out to arrest
that - they would kill him any how. I am of the

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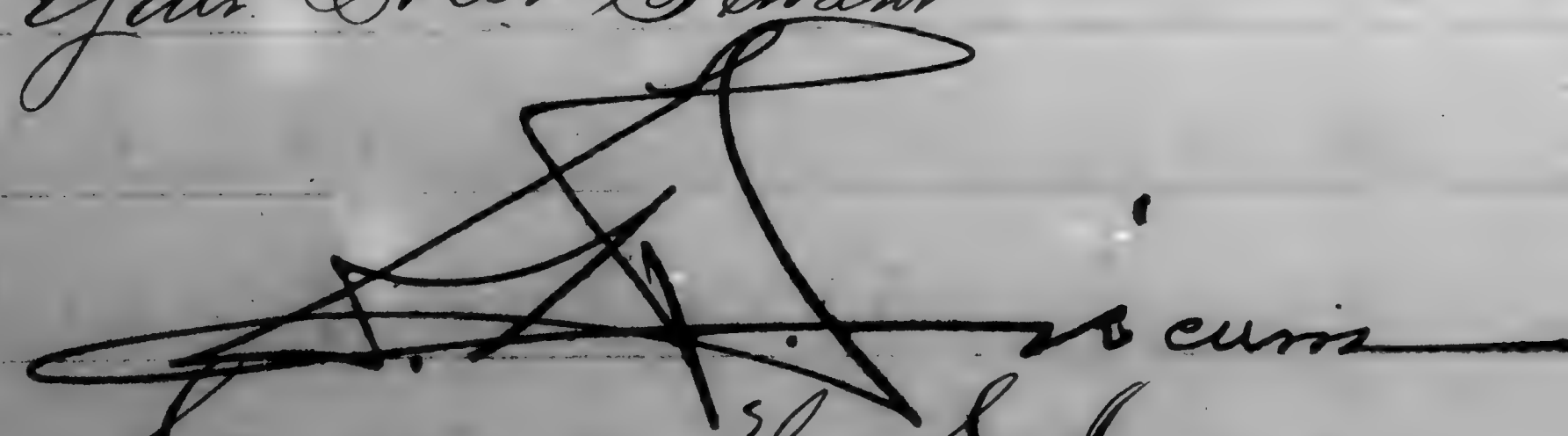
following opinion, although feeling justified in believing
that the names mentioned are the guilty parties,
that then can no proof be obtained to secure a Court
in the premises. If I could arrest and search
I am satisfied this affair could be uncovered and
parties brought to trial, as it is I do not have
proof sufficient to convict any one could be secured.
The colored people are in a very vulnerable position to
say the least their lives are without any protection
from assaults of this character, countenanced by
people who call themselves good - and who are at
least the people who own all the property about
that section and who wink at this thing and take
no means against it. I would recommend if possible
that some authority be obtained if practicable to permit
myself or the troops at Berlin City to arrest and
search with a view of disclosing and bringing to
punishment these desperadoes who have at the present

range of the Army about this
- his back only by fear of the action on
the part of the military which by the way I feel to
be a very groundless drawback to these deliberate murders
because of the slight authority the Army has in
investigating a thing of this sort except in aid of the
civil authorities who work at all the conduct - and
would expose a suggestion from an Officer of the Army
whenever aid to ferret out a thing of this sort was offered
or that if accepted the guilty parties would be warned
to escape, and justice thwarted. I am indebted to Genl
Wm. T. Loring Comd. g. at Orleans City Tenn. for sending an
Officer of his Post to assist me in this investigation.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servant


Captain 25th Regt S. Infantry
Fort Allen Comd.

To
Genl Capt. Levi S. Turner U.S.A.
H. H. G. P. O. and A. S. - State of Ky.
Louisville Ky
The Office of the Sub. Assessor Paducah Miss

John C. Handman
Office Sub. Asst. Com.,
Paducah Ky June 30th 1861

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R. S. Egelston
2^d Lt. 25th Inf. Sub. Asst. Com., &c

Report of inspection of the schools
in 1st Sub District Paducah District Ky.

Bureau P. F. and A. Land
Office Sub. Asst. Com. 1st Sub. Dist. Paducah Dist. Ky.
Paducah Ky June 30. 1868

But. Col. P. F. Swaine
Chief Sub. Asst. Com. Paducah Dist. Ky.
Paducah Ky.

Colonel

In compliance with

Special Order No. 2 from office of Chief Sub. Asst. Com. Paducah Dist.
Dated Paducah Ky June 15th 1868. I have the honor to report that
on the 16th inst. I proceeded to Trigg County Ky, and investigated
the apprenticing of Moses Cole's children. I found that the children
were apprenticed to Jno. P. Ranch and now in his possession. I have
returned the papers referred to me in the case with my report on the same.

On my return. I visited Tenn. Rolling Mills (Friday the 19th) the
freedmen formerly supported a school at that place. Said school
closed May 30th 1868 for want of a teacher they are making an effort to pro-
cure a colored teacher and intend to start a day and night school.
In the afternoon of the same day visited the school at Eddyville Ky.
taught by Henry Bond (colored) school is making very good progress.
There has been some strong threats of killing Mr. Bond intending thereby
to break up the school. Mr. Bond will continue the school and I
believe the opposition will eventually cease.

Monday the 22^d instant visited the school in Paducah Ky taught by J. H. Carstarphen assisted part of the time by his wife. The pupils appear to be making good progress in their studies.

Tuesday the 23^d instant visited the school in Mayfield Ky. said school is doing well under the instruction of J. H. Jackson (colored). In the evening I met the Freedmen and gave them such advice and instruction as I was able to give.

Wednesday the 24th visited the school in Paducah Ky. taught by John Berry (colored) who keeps a very good school. said school is to ~~be~~ will be closed during July and August.

Thursday 25th visited the school at Smithland Ky. The school is doing better under the instruction of Mary J. Sanders than under is former teacher Washington Lee.

I Many of the large scholars have left the schools and gone to work. I believe the sentiment in favor of teaching the Freedmen is improving where there is schools in operation.

Very Respectfully

R. S. Egelston

2^d Lt. 25th Inf. Sub. Aft. Com. &c

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Bureau B. & A. L.
Asst Commr. Office Station
Dorchester 14 July 1868

Burbank, D. per
Rumple Ben. R.
1st Col. Chief of Staff

Say that \$400. will be
appropriated for re-
pairs on Hambrin
School House

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., July 18th, 1868.

Bt Capt A Benfont Brown
Chief Sub Asst Commr
Paducah Kentucky.
Captain;

I am directed
by Bt Brig Genl S. Burbank, Asst Commr
State of Ky, to inform you, in reply to
your letter of June 29, 1868, that an
appropriation of Forty (\$40) Dollars will
be made by this Bureau to repair
the school building at Greenbriar
Ky.

Vouchers for services rendered
and materials used should be forwarded
to this office for payment as soon
as the repairs are made.

Very respectfully

Your obtl servant

Levi L. Bennett,

Bt Captain U.S.A.
Acting General

Copy sent
to Louisville

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Bureau R. F. and A. L.

Head Quarters ^{Henderson} Bowling Green District, **248**
Henderson
Bowling Green, Ky., July 11, 1868.

BROWN, - A. BENSON

Bt. Capt., 1st Lieut. 43d Inf., Chief Sub. Asst. Com'r.

Request an order to visit
London on official
business -

Bureau R. F. and A. L.
Chief. Courts Office State Ky
Louisville July 17, 1868.

Respectfully returned
to Bt. Capt. A. Benson

Brown, Chief Sub Asst Com'r
Western District Paducah
Ky who can renew this ap-
plication if he deems it
necessary under the new
organization.

By order of
Bt. Brig Genl H. B. Stuart

Levi J. Bennett,

Bt. Capt. U.S.A.

Enc 886.18 H. B. Stuart

Rec'd at the Bt. Dist 14 July 25-68

Rec'd A. B. O. Ky Jul 14-1868

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Head-Quarters Bowling Green District,

~~Henderson~~

~~Bowling Green, Ky.,~~

11 July

1868.

Colonel B. F. Rambo, USA.

1st Lt. to 1st Lt.

Colonel:

I have the honor to acknowledge that I may be ordered to Bowling Green, Ky., to establish a Freedmen School.

Very Respectfully, J. M. Brown

~~J. M. Brown~~

1st Lt. 43rd Inf. Regt. USA.

1st Lt. 43rd Inf. Regt.

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Bureau R. F. and A. L.

Head Quarters Bowling Green District,

Bowling Green, Ky July 11 1868.

BROWN, -A. BENSON

Bt. Capt., 1st Lieut. 43d Inf., Chief Sub. Asst. Com'r.

Requisition for clothing
for detachment of 8 men
of 45th Regt. Inf. in duty
at Henderson Ky

Enclosed
Per. C. C. S. A. C. W. Ditch July 25. 68

L. O.

Recd A. B. O. Ky. July 14 - 1868

Bureau R. F. and A. L.
Asst. Comr's Office State Ky
Louisville Ky July 17 1868.

Respectfully returned to
Bt. Capt. A. Benson Brown
Chief Sub Asst. Comr. KC
Paducah Ky. with the in-
formation that the detach-
ment of troops mentioned
within has been relieved
from duty at Henderson
Ky

By order of
Bt. Brig Genl Sturtevant
EB
LC Levi F. Bennett,
1868 Bt. Capt. U.S.A.
A. A. Curran

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Head-Quarters ~~Bowling Green~~ District,Henderson
Bowling Green, Ky., 11th July 1868.

Colonel B. P. Smith USA.
 1st Det. 1st. to Louisville St.
 Colonel.

I have the honor to enclose Special
 Requisitions, in duplicate. For clothing to be required for use of
 Detachment of Light Artillery 45th US Inf. on duty at Henderson St.

Very Respectfully,
 W. H. Brown

1st Lt 43rd Inf. Artillery USA.

1st Det. 1st. to Louisville.

Burbank, O. 261

Bureau R. Y. & A. L.
West Corner Office St. Ry
Louisville Ky. July 27⁶⁸

Authority to rent
School building
at Oatford Ky

Rec. Paducah Ky. Auto 31. 4. 68

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., July 27th 1868.

Plt Capt A. Benson & Son
Chief Sub Asst Commr
Paducah, Ky.

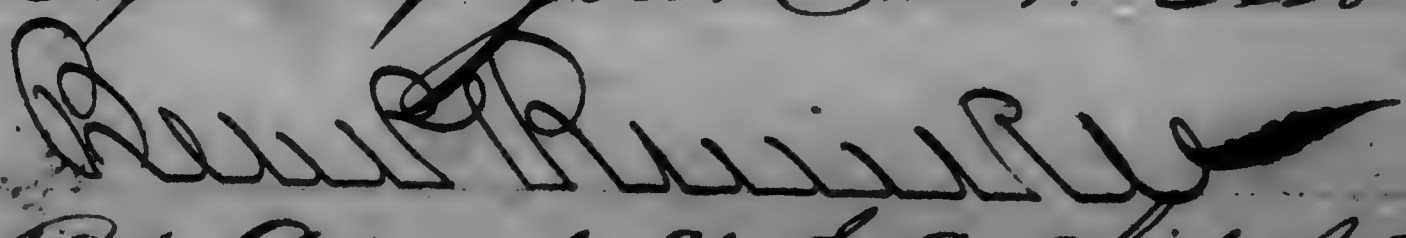
Captain:

I am directed by St. Brig General
S. Burbank, Assistant Commissioner State of Ky.
to inform you that forty dollars (\$40⁰⁰) per month will
be paid from the funds of this Bureau to James
L. Hagerman, at Oxford Ky. from July 1st to
July 31st 1868, for rent of building used for school
purposes

No rent will be paid after that date as
the school closed July 30th 1868, and H. Hager-
man has gone away.

Very Respectfully Yours Obedt. Servt.

Amicus P


Bt. Colonel U.S.A. Chief of Staff

29 July 68

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Louisville, Ky.

July 29th 1868

Burbank, Sydney

Asst. Commr. of Ky.

Informs Captain Brown that \$15 per month will be paid from the funds of this Bureau from July 1st 1868 to Edward Claybrook, for rent of building for school purposes instead of to Miss^{Wm. E.} C. Wilson as heretofore.

This change is in compliance with the request of A. W. Lawwill of July 23rd 1868

Res. Bute Paducah St. 1. Aug. 1868

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., July 29th 1868.

Col. Capt. A. Benson Brown U.S.A.

Chief Sub Asst Commissioner re
Paducah, Ky.

Captain:

I am directed by Bt. Brig General Sidney
Purbank, Asst Comr State of Ky. to inform you that
Fifteen dollars (\$15) per month from July 1, 1868, will
be paid from the funds of this Bureau to Edward
Clay^{books} for rent of Building on Hopkins Farm
in Daviess County to be used for school purposes,
instead of to Miss M. E. Wilson as heretofore.

This change is made in compliance with the request
of A. H. Sawmill of July 23^d 1868,

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.

Wm. P. R. R.

August

Bt Colonel U.S. Army
Chief of Staff

31 July 68

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Louisville, Ky.
July 31st 1868

Burbank, Sydney
Asst. Commr. of Ky.

Informs Capt. Brown
that \$ 30 per month
will be paid. Samuel
Purcell, for rent of
building containing
three rooms used as
his office, from July
17th 1868, in accord-
ance with Captain
Brown's request of
July 28th 1868

Recd. Bur & Paducah Let. 3.8.1868

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., July 31st 1868.

Bt Capt A. Benbow Brown

Chief S. A. Commr

Paducah Ky;

Captain;

I am directed

by Bt Brig Genl S. Burbank, Asst Commr State
of Ky, to inform you that thirty (\$30) dollars
per month will be paid from the funds of
this Bureau to Samuel M. Purcell from
July 17, 1868, for rent of building containing
three rooms used as your office, as request-
ed in your letter of July 27th 1868.

Very respectfully

Your Obedt Servant



Bt Colonel R. R.
Chief of Staff

Answer ✓

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Thurman Pugh & A. L. L.
Capt. James A. Smith
Pineville Ky July 1868

Burbank, per
Reynolds Ben. D.

St. Col. Wm. Chief of Police

Ask for the number
of persons white and
black murdered in the
western list of Ky from
July 1st 67. to July 1st 68

Report made 20. Aug 1868.

Rec. Buto Palace W. L. 3. 8. 1868

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands.

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., July 30th 1868.

Of Capt. A. Union Brown
Chief Sub Asst. Commr to
Paducah, Ky.

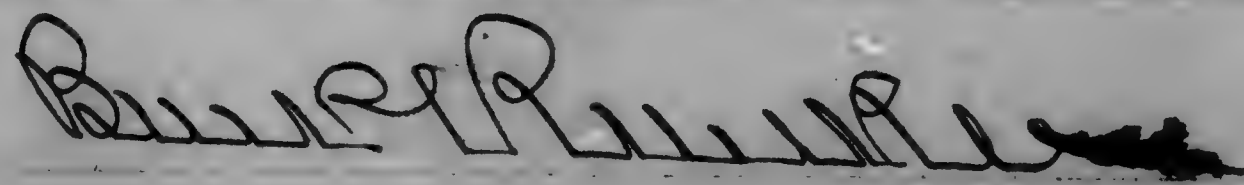
Captain:

I am directed by St. Brig. Genl S. Burbank
Asst. Commr State of Ky, to instruct you to furnish,
if possible, this Office with the following infor-
-mation by the 15th day of August 1868:

The number of persons /white & black / murdered
in your /Western / District from July 1. 1867 to
July 1. 1868, stating the name & date of the
murder. Also the number of convictions for
murder by the civil courts in your District for
the same period.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.



B. F. Colwell USA Chief of Staff

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Taducak Ky. July 27 1888

At Capt Geo Chief S. A. Emerson

Asks to be furnished with
a Storm Flag for use
at his Head Quarters.

13 Bureau P. M. T. Landy
Asst Comdr's Office Ky
Louisville July 31. 1868

Respectfully returned
to Bk Capt. A. Benson
Brown, Chief S. & C.
Paducah Ky. with the
information that it
is impossible to pro-
cure a Storm Flag as
requested withins,

By order of
 Bt. Brig Genl S B Buntant
 Col. Colonel ufa
 Chief of Staff

Feb. Hancock Co. Paducah Ky. 5. 8. 68

Recd A. C. O. Ky. July 30-1868

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Office Chief ^{Sub Asst. Commr} ~~Asst.~~ Western District,

Paducah, Ky.,

July 27th

1868.

Bot. Col. Ben. F. Runkle *u.s.a.*
Chief of Staff 3^d I. C.
State of Kentucky
Colonel

I have the honor to request, that
I may be furnished with one Storm Flag
to fly over Head Quarters Western District
Paducah Ky. from Flag Staff now being erected

A Storm flag is asked for as a
Recruiting Flag would not be large enough
to be proportioned to height of Staff.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant
H. Brown
1st Lt. & 3^d Asst. Bot. Capt. *u.s.a.*
Chief Sub. Asst. Commr

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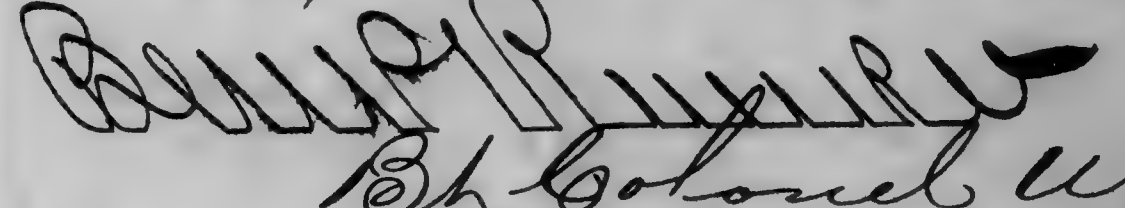
Paducah Ky
July 27, 1868-

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Brown A. Benson
Bk Capt U.S.A.
States that P. S.
Reeves had not
reported to him
as yet

Bureau of A. & S. Land
Asst Comdr Office Ky
Louisville July 31, 1868

Respectfully returned
to Bk Capt A. Benson
Brown, Chief S. A.
Commis Paducah Ky,
with the information
that P. S. Reeves, Clerk
had permission from
this office to be absent
By order of

Bk Brig Gen S. Burbank

Bk Colonel U.S.A.
Chief of Staff

Aug 9 11, 1868
Rec. Bureau to Paducah Ky. 1. 8. 1868

A. L.

Recd A. L. O. Ky Aug 30-1868

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Bureau Refugee Freedmen & Abandoned Lands
Office Chief Sub. Asst. Comm. Western Dist. of Ky.
Paducah Kentucky July 27th 1868.

Bot. Col Ben. P. Bunkle U.S.A.
Chief of Staff 3d I.C.O.
State of Kentucky

Colonel

I have the honor to inform
you that P. B. Revere Assigned to me as
Clerk by special orders No 85. Asst. Comm's
Office Ky. 16th July 1868. Has not reported
as therein ordered

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant
Hanson Brown
1st Lt. 43rd Infy. Bot. Capt. U.S.A.
Chief Sub. Asst. Commissioner

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Paducah Ky
July 27, 1868,

L 31 -

Brown A. Benford
Bk Capt W. A.

Requests permission
to make the first
journey named in
S. O. 86. As for V. H.
Echorn the second
and L. H. R. S. Eggleston
the third

A. L.


Recd A. L. O. Ky July 30 - 1868

Bureau of A. L. O. & Land
A. L. O. Office Ky
Louisville July 31, 1868

Respectfully returned
to Bk Capt A. Benford
Brown, Chief A. L.
Commis Paducah Ky,
Approved,

Captain Brown
will issue the necessary
orders for V. H. Echorn
and L. H. R. S. Eggleston
to make the journey
mentioned within

By order of
Bk Brig Gen S. P. Burbank


Bk Colonel W. A.
Chief of Staff

Aug 9, 1868
Recd. Paducah A. L. Bureau, 1. 8. 1868

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Office Chief ^{Sub Asst Comm} Western ~~Dist~~ District,

Paducah, Ky.,

July 27th

1868.

Br. Col. Ben. P. Summelle *aka*
Chief of Staff 3^d S. C.
State of Kentucky

Colonel

To facilitate the work and to familiarize the Officers recently assigned to this district, I have the honor to request that, I may be allowed to comply with special orders No 86. S. C. State of Ky. dated 17th of July 1868. by taking myself the first route named in said order from (Paducah to Cairo &c.) Mr V. B. Echom School Superintendent the second route (Paducah to Smithland &c) and St. R. S. Eggleston the third route (Paducah to Morganfield &c)

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant

Abner Brown

1st Lt. 43d. U.S. Inf. 1st Lt. Capt. *aka*.
Chief Sub. Asst. Comm.

S.R. No. 5. 5/9 186

Porter's Monthly
August 6 1868

By Mrs. O. M.
Clax of Marshall County

Transmittal Statement in
relation to the number of
murders. Names used in
of convictions for crime
in Marshall County
from July 1865 to July 1868.

Rev. Bureau to Educate Ind. 8. 8. 68

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SNR. 981. 1868 - 281

James C. F. W. S.
Asst. Comm. Off. State
Sensville Ky. Aug 5. 68

Barbours. R. per.

Barbours J. H. Col. D. S.
Chief of Staff & Co.

Says that \$1000 will be paid
from the funds of this Bureau
to aid in the construction of
a Freedmen's School house
at Smithland Ky. for the
children whose parents are
unable to pay tuition. he was
excluded and that the
house is completed.

Rec. Bureau to Barbours. D. S. 8. 8. 68.

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN & ABANDONED LANDS,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., August 5TH 1868.

H. Captain A. Benson Brown
Chief Sub-Asst. Commr. K.C.
Paducah, Ky.

Captain;

I am directed by Bt Brig Genl Sidney
Burbank Asst. Commr State of Ky. to inform you,
in reply to your endorsement of July 29TH 1868 on
letter from Henry Green, dated July 21. 1868, that
One hundred dollars (\$100⁰⁰) will be paid from the
funds of this Bureau to aid in constructing a
school house for children of Freedmen at
Smithland Kentucky, on condition that no chil-
dren of Freedmen are excluded on account of their
relatives or friends being unable to pay for their
tuition.

The amount above mentioned will not be
paid without the house is completed.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant.

~~Benjamin R. R.~~

Bt Colonel U.S.A.
Chief of Staff K.C.O.

sent copy to
Sd Smithland

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Paducah Ky. July 30. 1868

Aug - 7 -

Brown, A. Jenson, Int. Capt.
B. J. Sub. Asst. Comm.

Notes for blanks on which
to make the ap of Dr P. E.
Valentine to 24th July, that
being the date to which the
detachment of the 45th Infy.
was furnished with medical
attendance and supplies

Curran, A. Jenson, A. L.
Asst. Comm. Office Ky
Louisville Aug 7. 68.

Respectfully returned
to Bt. Capt. A. Jenson
Brown, Chief Sub Asst
Comm to Paducah, Ky.
with the information
that printed blanks
cannot be obtained
as requested

By order of
Bt. Brig Genl. S. B. Bantam
Bt. Colonel 2nd Regt.
Chief of Staff.
E 13103 1868

Recd A. L. O. Ky Aug 1- 1868

Recd Bureau To Paducah Aug 10. 68

Bureau Refugees Freedmen & A. Lands.
Office Chief Sub. Asst. Comm. Western Dist. Ky.
Paducah Ky. July 30th 1868.
Bot. Col. Ben. P. Runkle rfa.
Chief of Staff to D. C.
State of Kentucky
Colonel

I have the honor to request Blanks
in duplicate, that Mr. P. G. Valentini's accounts
may be properly made up to, to 24th July that
being the date to which Detachment 45th Infy
were furnished by him with Medical attendance
and supplies.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant
H. Brown Brown
1st Lt. 43d. Infy. 1st Lt. Capt. rfa.
Chf. Sub. Asst. Commissioner

282. 1868

Manning
May 6th, 1868.

Wilson R. M.
left for the boat

Says that no
trains for summer have
occurred in the County
of Livingston recently
and none. To his know-
ledge have been com-
mitted from July 1st 1867
to July 1st 1868.

Recd Bureau of Insolvency Aug 10. 68

Warren Ry. Aug 1-6th 1868

Resd Capt A. B. Brown
Daducuk

Sir I have examined
the Records in Circuit Clerk's office
& find no indictments for Murder
& none have taken place to my
knowledge within the period named
by you (July 1st 67 to July 1st 68)

Respectfully
D. W. Wilson

Recd at Daducuk Ry Aug 10/68.

Paducah Kentucky
August 3d 1868

Sir

I am directed by the War Department
to ascertain from you, the number of persons
White & Black murdered in your County
from 1st July 1867 to 1st July 1868. stating name
and date of the murder, also the number of
convictions for murder during same period
by civil courts.

You will confer a favor by
submitting your reply in enclosed envelope as
soon as possible.

I am

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

Abner Brown

1st Lt. 43d. Infy. 13th. Capt. 2d Regt.

Chief Sub. Asst. Commr

To the
Clerk of County Court
Crittenden Co. Ky.

L.R. 285 1868

Blandville Ballad L. Co
Aug 8th 1868

Corbett J.
 Clerk of Balland County

State that no con:
 victions for murder
 have occurred in
 the County of Balland
 County. from July
 1st 1867 to July 1st 1868

Rec^d Bureau of Paducah Aug 11th 68

Blandville Kentucky Augst 10/68

Capt Benson Albany

Dear Sir

Your letter of 3rd Inst is
to hand contents noticed and this my response
I am happy to inform you that no conviction for murder
has been had in this County (Gallard) from July 1st, 86th
to July 1st, 86th No murder has been committed in Gallard
in Gallard County from 1st July 1867 to 1st July 1868 about
1 month ago there was a difference arose between J. P.
Campbell & H. J. Grandin in the Civilian Warden & his
Daughter were both shot by Campbell & his Daughter
instantly murdered she died the third day thereafter
Gallard Court was organized in May 1842 from that
date to this time only two convictions for murder or
any other crime have transpired there was one other
conviction the last about 10 years ago but that was
committed by a lifetime in the Penitentiary

Yours obdt Servt

J. Campbell Clerk

Gallard County Court Jy 8
per J. P. Clerk of the Gallard
County Court

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Paducah Ky Aug 4 68

Tom A Benson Lt Col
Chief Sub Post Comm.

Requisition in duplicate for
One Storm Flag. for use at his
Post Quarters.

(Encls)

See B 147. 1868.

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Recd A. C. O. Ky Aug 8. 1868

Bureau. Q. I. & L. Land
Post Comm Office Sta Ky
Louisville Ky Aug 10. 1868

Respectfully returned to Lt
Capt A. Benson Provost Chief Sub
Post Comm. Paducah Ky with the
information that it is impossible
to procure a Storm Flag, as requested
within

By order of
Lt Brig Genl. S. B. Burdett

Wm. R. Runkle

1st Colonel U. S. Army

Chief of Staff
E. D. 106. 1868

Recd. Bureau Paducah Aug 12 1868

Bureau of Refugees & A. S. S.
 Head Quarters Western Dist. Ky.
 Paducah Ky Aug 4th 1864.

Rt. Col. Wm. J. Runkle M.A.

Chief of Staff - C

Louisville Ky.

Colonel:-

I have the
 honor to apply by requisition (in duplicate)
 enclosed for one "Stim Play" for use of
 Head Quarters Office Western District of Kentucky

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant
 H. Brown Brown

1st Lieut. 1st Regt. D. C. Cavalry

Chief Sub. Asst. Comm.

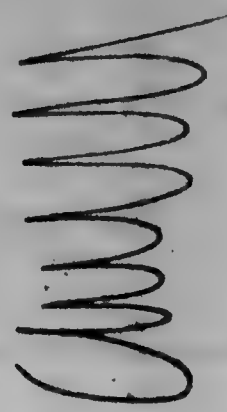
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Aug 11, 1868

Cor J. F. Clark
Webster Co. Pa.

States in reply to
communication of the
3d Inst. that there has
been no murder com-
mitted in Webster Co.
in the last twelve
months or two years.
Consequently no con-
victions.

Recd P.S. & Co. H.D. Aug 12/68

Capt A B Brown
Paducah,
Ky



Dixon, Ky.
August 11th 1868.

Sir,

In answer to yours of 3rd inst.
I will state that there has been no murder committed
in this County, either "white or Black" in the last 12
months or two years - Consequently no convictions -

No "G A R's" or "K K K's" here - all quiet on the
Potomac

Yours &c
J. F. Orr clerk

Galbraith McLean Co Ky
Aug. 10 1868

Constatable J. St
Clark McLean Co Court.

States in reply to
Communication of the
3rd Inst. that there has
been only one murder
committed in McLean Co
in the last twelve months
that was on the 13th day
of July 1867. George H.
St. regt. was shot and
instantly killed by
James H. Gentry who was
soon after pardoned
by the Governor.
There have been no convic-
tions for murder with-
in the time specified.

Recd. Esaco. St. Aug. 10-1868

NARA 627

Calhoun McLean County Kentucky
August 10th 1868.

Capt. A. B. Brown

Dear Sir

Yours of the 3rd Inst. is at hand and in answer to your inquiries I can say there has only been One Murder Committed in this County within the Period mentioned, and that was on the 13th day of July 1867. George A. Wright, was shot and instantly killed, by Denis H. Lette, who was soon after pardoned by the Governor.

There has been no convictions in our Court for Murder within the period named.

I am very Respectfully
Your Obed Servt

J. H. Overstreet Clerk
McLean County Court.

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Lansville, Ky

August 11, 1868

Burbank. D. per

Punkle Br. Col. U.S.A.
Chief of Staff

States in reply to
letter of Aug. 6, 1868.
that ten \$10, dollars
per month from August
1st 1868. from the funds
of this Bureau to Mrs
E. D. Thomas for rent of
building used as Freedmen
School house, at Corydon
Ky. on condition that no
children of Freedmen
are excluded on account
of their friends or relatives
being unable to pay for
their tuition.

Recd Esac. D. D. Aug. 14, 1868

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky.,

August 11th 1868.

Louisville,
 Lt. Captain A. Benson Brown
 Chief of Dept. Comm.

Chief Sub Asst Commr. &c

Saduck Ky.

Captain:

I am directed by Ft Brig Genl S. Purbank
Asst Commr State of Ky. to inform you, in reply
to your letter of August 6th 1868, that ten dollars
(\$10) per month from August 1st 1868 will be paid from
the funds of this Bureau to Mrs. E. P. Thomas for
rent of building used as a Freedmens School at
Corydon, Ky on condition that no children of
Freedmen are excluded on account of their relatives
or friends being unable to pay for their tuition.

Very Respectfully
Yours Obedt

Your Obedt. Servant

Benjamin Franklin

Lt. Colonel U.S.A.
 Chief of Staff.

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Paducah Ky Aug 3. 68.

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Brown Henson
St Capt U.S.A.

Requests to know what
schools are in operation
in Christian, Muhlenberg
& Good Counties Ky - appro-
priations made, when made
& the amount of each

46.

Recd at C. O. Ky Aug 6. 1868.

~~Mr. Brown Henson~~
Brown Henson

Chief Clerk Office Ky.
Louisville Aug 11. 1868.

Respectfully returned
to St. Captain Henson
Brown Chief St. Asst.
Comms to Paducah
with information en-
closed, as requested

By order of

Bt. Brig Genl S. Burdett



St. Colonel U.S.A.

Chief of Staff

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Recd at Paducah Ky. Aug 14. 68.

find instructions in
Capt Burdett's private
file Burdett -

Bureau Refugees Freedmen & Abandoned Lands.
Office Chief Sub. Asst. Comr. Western Dist.
Paducah Ky. August. 3d 1868.

Sub. Col. Gen. P. Runkle rfa
Chief of Staff & D.O.
Colonel

I have the honor to request, that
I may be informed, what schools are in oper-
ation in Christian, Muhlenburg, and Todd Cos.,
which of such schools have Bureau appropriations
for monthly rent, with date of each authority,
and amount.

Yours very truly

I am

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

A. Brown Brown

1st Lt. & 3d. Infy. 13th. Calif. rfa

Chief Sub. Asst. Comr.

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Elton Todd Clerk
 August 12th 1868,

Perline D. 1.
 Clerk Todd. Co. Court

Swear That no mur-
 der has been commit-
 ted in the County of
 Todd from July 1st 1867
 to July 1st 1868 —

Rec. Ando Paducah Ky. M. 8. 18.

NARA 633
Todd County Court Clerk's office
Elkton. Mo. Aug 12th 1868.

Your letter of the 3rd inst was recd on yesterday
No ~~one~~ murdered in this county between the dates
Spoken of,

Benn. T. Perkins Clerk.
per Deputy.

To Capt.
A. Benson Brown U. S. A.
Paducah. Ky.

LN 298. 1868
Pineau T. B. Fund A. D.
Offic. Supt. of Schools
Indueally Aug 17. 68

Ochorn V. H.
Supt of Schools

Meakes Report of in-
spection. in compli-
ance with Special -
Orders to S. from Hon
Geo Western District of
Ky dated August 6 1868 -
at Smithland -
Edyville. Hopkinstown
and Leadr Ky -

Rec. Dist. Paducah Ky. 18. 8. 1868

Bureau R. I. & A. L.

Office Supt. Schools Western Dist.

Paducah, Ky. Aug. 17, 1868.

Wt. Capt. A. Benson Brown, USA.

Chief S. A. Comis- &c.

Paducah, Ky.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that in accordance with S. O. no. 3 Hd. Qrs. Western District dated August 6, 1868, I proceeded on 9th inst. to Smithland. For the school-house (17 x 42) at that place I would recommend an appropriation of One hundred dollars. It will reopen on 1st September next.

A colored man named - Somers was murdered in Smithland by Washington Stone (white) in October 1867. Stone has not been arrested.

I beg leave to call attention to the manner in which the last special tax, collected from freedmen under State law, has been applied in that town. The Sheriff reports but fifty dollars collected, when in fact the amount actually collected is over \$200.

...from out of that fifty dollars has
...paid to a rebel hotel-keeper for keeping
...a smart and sprightly colored boy whose
services could anywhere, but particularly in a
hotel, command wages.

On my arrival at Eddyville on 10th August
I found the colored school in operation, and
in a prosperous condition. The following murders
were reported: In September 1867 about ten miles
south-east of Eddyville, in Lyon Co. a colored
girl named Jane was whipped to death by
a person unknown. No arrest has been made.
William Cook (Col^d) was murdered between
Eddyville and Princeton in August 1867.
Murderer unknown, and no arrest made.

In Hopkinsville - where I arrived August 11th
the following murders were reported: James Porter
(white) murdered W. D. Fuller (white) at Hopkinsville in
August 1867. A white man named - Keese murdered
a young woman (white) - name unknown - near
Sainbridge in September 1867. He is now on bail.
Dr. Metcalfe (white) murdered Albert L. Jones in
August 1867 at Garrardsburg. No indictment found.

Houston Ewart (Union soldier) was murdered
at his plough-handle in July, 1867 near Bainbridge.
Murderer unknown, and no arrest made.
J. T. Heath and Joseph Robbins, Policemen
in Hopkinsville murdered Sampson Jones (Col^d)
near Hopkinsville September 22, 1867.

At the meeting in Hopkinsville the colored people
evinced a strong desire to erect a school-house
large enough to accommodate all their children,
there being now no school house, proper, in that town.
An efficient committee to obtain subscriptions
was appointed. I earnestly hope that they will
soon have, what they also very much desire,
a female school. The very corrupt state
of morals in and about Hopkinsville
makes the existence of a proper place to
teach the young women a correct deportment
and good morals, a necessity.

In Cadiz where I arrived Aug. 12th I found
the colored people, practically, in a state of
bondage. Neither there nor at any place in
Trigg County had they ever dared to establish
a school. They had often been told they had

better leave that part of the country rather than start a colored school. Having been assured of protection they have now earnestly gone to work to obtain a school as soon as possible. The amount of assistance from the Government that may be needed in Cadiz and Hopkinsville can be better stated when the reports from trustees are received.

I am momentarily expecting a report of murders in Perry Co. from Judge Thompson of Cadiz.

In accordance with S.O. above described the freedmen were called together, the explanation made as therein ordered, and the following correspondents selected:

Sol. Littlefield, Smithland,
Wm. Cash, Jr., Eddyville,
Wm. T. Buckner, Hopkinsville,
J. E. Thompson, Cadiz.

At all the places visited boards of trustees for schools were appointed, and their duties explained to them.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

V. H. Echoard -

Supt. Schools

20. Aug 68

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Louieville, Ky.
August-28th 1868

Burbank, D.

Asst. Commr. Ky.

Informs Captain
Brown in reply to
his letter of the 17th
that \$10 per month
from August 1st
1868 to Alexander
Howard, for rent of
building at Princeton
Caldwell Co. Ky. used
for school purposes &c.

Filed at Paducah Ky. Aug 24/68

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

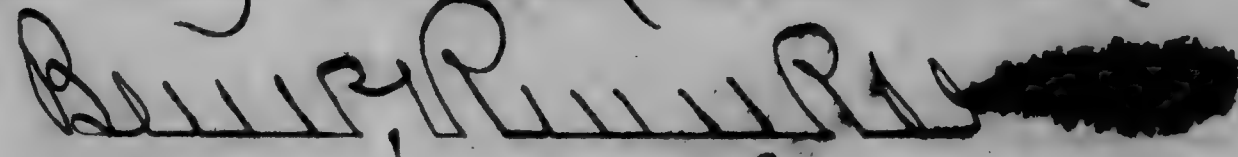
Louisville, Ky., August 20th 1868.

Rh Capt A. Benson Brown,
Chief Sub Assk Comis
Paducah Ky.
Captain:

I am directed
by Bt Brig Genl S. Burbank, Assk Comis
State of Kentucky to inform you in re-
ply to your letter of the 17th inst, that
ten (10) dollars per month will be paid
from the funds of this Bureau, from
August 1. 1868. to Alexander Howard
for rent of a building at Princeton
Baldwell leg Ky. used for school pur-
poses, on condition that no children
of Freedmen are excluded, on account
of their relatives or friends being
unable to pay for their tuition.

Very respectfully

Yours obdt servt



Bt Col U. S. A. Chief of Staff

20 aug 68

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Louisville, Ky.

August 20th 1868

Burbank, Sidney

Asst. Commr of Ky.

J. O. 97 - Ex.

Directs Captain
Brown to proceed to
Marion, Dixon,
Madisonville, Green-
ville, and Hartford
Ky. on official busi-
ness relative to estab-
lishing official busi-
ness Freedmens Schools &c.

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Bureau Refugee, Freedmen & Lands
Asst Commr Office State of Ky,
Louisville, Ky, August 20th 1868

Special Orders, }
No 97, } "Extract"

III. " Bot. Capt. A Benson Brown 1st Lt.
413^d U.S. Infantry, Chief Sub Asst Commr, Western
District of Kentucky, will proceed to Marion,
Ligon, Madisonville, Greenville & Hartford Ky,
on official business relative to establishing
Freedmen Schools on completion of which
he will return to his Station at Paducah, Ky,

By order of Br. Brig Genl. Sidney Burham
Asst. Commr, State of Kentucky

True Copy Signed, Levi. H. Burnett
A Benson Brown Bot Capt Ligon. a. a. a. Genl

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Louisville, Ky.

August 24th 1868

Burbank, Sidney

Asst. Commr. Ky.

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Informs Captain Brown
in reply to his letter of
August 15th 1868, that
the rent^(\$25) for school
at Hickman Ky. will
be paid for July when
the vouchers are recd.
and also, ~~that~~ the
rent will be continued
during the time the
school is in operation,
as heretofore.

R. L. Brown & T. L. Brown 27 Aug 68.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., August 24th 1868.

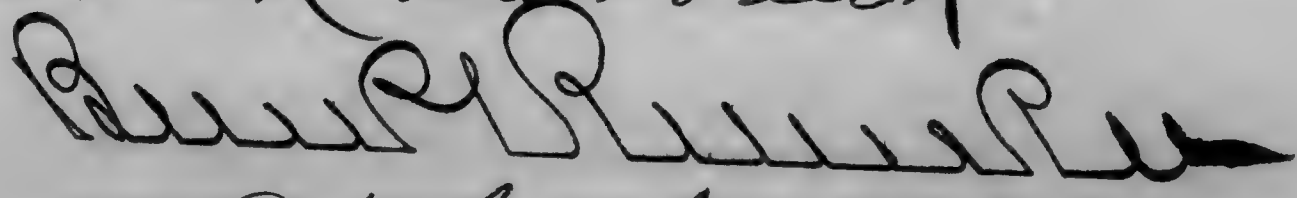
Bk Captain A. Benson Brown,
Chief S. A. Commis
Paducah Ky,
Captain;

I am directed
by Bk Brig Genl S. Burbank, Asst Commis
State of Kentucky to inform you in reply
to your letter of August 15th 1868, that
the rent (\$25) for School at Hickman
Ky will be paid for July, when the
Vouchers are received at this office

The rent will be continued during
the time the School is in operation as
heretofore,

Very respectfully

Yours Obedt Servant



Bk Colonel U.S.A
Chief of Staff

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Trenton, N.J.

August 24th 1868

E. G. Debee

Replies to Capt. Brown's
communication of the
17th inst. inquiring how
many murders I have
been committed, with
in his knowledge, &c.
&c.

Recd Paducah Ky Augt 29/68.

Trenton N.J. August 24th 1868
Capt. A.W. Brown Esq.

Dear Sir

Yours of the 17th Inst. just rec^d.

In reply to your inquiry of how many "murders" have
been committed within my jurisdiction I have to state but
few within the state from 1861 to Aug 1867
In adjoining Counties I have heard of many more than
this of which you are doubtless aware; but we have ^{been}
Comparatively more fortunate. I do not classify the deaths
"murders" which I mention as I think in no case has there been
trial but give the facts from which you can make your
own conclusions. And in doing this I presume you do not desire
to make the authority public or the parties interested as
in the first case I should be desirous to be a swift witness
by voluntary testimony and the best place there matters
our long past and I should have no disposition to revive
them; I trust you will regard this private from these and
other reasons unnecessary to mention. I may not be very
precise as to dates as I speak from recollection -

In 1862 (I think) Robt. Moody killed - "Wag a
Calion" man. I think no trial of the case was ever

Ans.

In 1845 a Col^d Man taken from jail and killed
by Parties unknown - Name not recalled -

In 1845 J. F. Billingsly killed a Col^d Man named
Towley - W. B. was pardoned by Bramlett, He
is a clever Man, was intoxicated at the time, -

William Brockman in Spring of 1847 - killed a
Col^d Man named Alex. Samuel and fled the Country;

I think there has been no trial, Certainly no Conviction
in any of these Cases - There were perhaps ^{hangers} some others but
I have no recollection (distinct) of the parties as they
happened in other parts of the County remote from where
I reside -

Very Resp

Wm. W. W.

W. L. Gibson

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Paducah, Ky

August 1st 1868

C. A. Benson Brown

Chief Sub Asst. Comr.

Requests information
as regards murders

between July 1st 1867
and July 1st 1868.

Recd at Paducah Ky Aug 29/68

Hinderson Ky

Aug 30 1868

Sir

Sir - Eggleston when
here obtained thro. Es
I have been absent for
some time & as he has
given it to you in
this.

I have just returned
last night from
Nashville Tenn

Respectfully
H. D. Park

Paducah, Ky.,
August 17th 1868

Sir

Will you please inform me
if possible, of the number of persons
white and black within your knowledge,
murdered from July 1st 1867. to July 1, 1868,
with names of the murdered and murder-
ers, and dates of murders, also the num-
ber of convictions for the same period?

Very Respectfully &

Hudsonson
Capt U.S.A.,
Chief S. I. Com

W. S. Park, Esq—
Hudsonson, Ky.,

24 Aug 68

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Elkton, August 24/68

Cole, S. E. G.

In reply to Captain
Brown's communica-
tion of the 17th states,
that there has not
been a murder com-
mitted in that coun-
ty within the time
mentioned. &c.

Rev. Amos. Parsons J. A. 31. 8. 1868.

1868
Elkton Aug 24th
Mr A B Brown
Paducah Ky

Sir

Yours of the 14th recd
and content noted
in reply allow me to say
that there has not been
a murder committed
in this county within
the time mentioned
by you there was one
just before and and
one committed just after
hoping this will ~~not~~
be satisfactory I remain
sir yours Obit sent
J E G Cole
per C

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Paducah Ky
August 29. 68

Revised P. S.
Clark.

Report of inspection
in compliance with
Special Order No 4 -
Par 2. - to Marion
Dixon, Madisonville
Greenville & Hartford
connected with the
educational interests
of the Freedmen

Rec. Bw. & O. Paducah Ky. 31. 8. 68.

Paducah, Ky,
August 29, 1868.

Bot. Capt. A. Benson Brown, U.S.A.
Chief Sub. Asst. Comm. Bureau R. & L.
Paducah, Ky.

Captain:

Pursuant to instructions contained
in "Special Orders No. 4, dated Bureau
R. & L. A. Sanders, Office Chief Sub Asst
Comm Western District Ky, Paducah Ky,
August 19, 1868", I have the honor to submit
the following report:

Marion,

1st At this place not more than 18 children
would attend a school at the present time.
During the winter season the number would
probably increase to thirty.

2nd The colored people have no school house,
money to the amount of one hundred dollars has
been subscribed toward paying for a lot and
putting up a building to be used for both school
and church purposes. William Wilson, Clerk
of the Crittenden County Court, promises to sell
them a lot one half acre. The price I could not
learn as Mr. Wilson was absent from Marion
and would not return for some days. I however
(over)

instructed the Trustees how to proceed in the purchase of a lot and the erection of a building, log 20x30, the building to cost \$150.00 to \$175.00. I do not think the Colored people will be able to raise the required two thirds of the money for the building in two weeks. They are, mostly, in destitute circumstances and considerable aid will be required from the Bureau to enable them to get a school.

3^d They have no person among them who can teach school.

4th Until the amount now subscribed is collected and a new subscription taken up, the amount of help needed from the Bureau cannot be ascertained.

The following named persons were appointed a board of Trustees, and received the necessary instructions: Samuel Smith, Wm Phillips and Edmund Biglow. Rev. Alexander Rankin (white), will carry on the necessary correspondence for the freedmen with this office.

Mr Rankin attempted some time ago to organize a Sabbath School for the Colored people, but was informed by his flock - most followers of the Savina, that if he carried his plan into effect, he would render himself obnoxious to his congregation, so he had to let the matter drop.

(over)

Dixon.

At this place there are not children enough to warrant a school, the whole population white and black not numbering more than one hundred and fifty, with but very few colored persons. The condition of the white, taken from an educational point of view is nearly as bad as that of the blacks.

Madisonville.

1st Fifty children will probably attend school at this place,

2nd The Freedmen have a building, box 40x20, partially completed, owe on the building \$80.00 and on the lot \$80.00. They can raise money enough to pay for the lot, and perhaps enough to discharge the present indebtedness on the building. It will take about \$175.00 more to complete the building and make it comfortable for the winter.

3rd Samuel Sherman, colored, preacher, will teach the school, which will open September 1st 1868.
4th I would suggest that \$150. or \$175.00 be allowed to complete the building, and if possible ten dollars per month towards the support of the teacher. The Freedmen have received no benefit from the tax levied by the county for the support of colored schools.

True True

over,

Granville Stoddell, John Couch and
Edmund Couch, all colored,
Samuel Sheronaw, teacher will carry on the
necessary correspondence with this office.

Greenville

1st About 35 children will attend school at
this place, and during the winter a night
school of 25 pupils may be taught.
2nd The Freedmen have a building, log house,
20x25, nearly completed. it will take about
\$30.00 to finish the work.

3rd They have no person among them who can teach
school, desire that a teacher be sent them, a
colored person — a male if possible. They
can raise about \$30.00 per month toward having a teacher,
They will be ready to open the school about the
10th of September 1868.

4th. I would suggest that \$30.00 be allowed them
to complete the building, and if possible ten
dollars per month toward the support of the
teacher.

No trustees even appointed at this place,
as it is the desire of the colored people to
appoint Church trustees at their next quarterly
meeting, who shall also act as school trustees,
no benefits from the tax levied by the county
for the support of colored schools.

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Samuel Eliot D., colored, will carry on the necessary correspondence with this office.

Hartford

1st From 40 to 45 children will attend school at this place.

2nd The Freedmen have a building, framed, 20x32, nearly completed, cost \$300.00, there is yet due on the building \$156.00. which amount the freedmen are unable to raise. The lot has been paid for.

3rd The colored people wrote to Louisville some time ago, probably two weeks, for a teacher, but had received no reply up to the time I left Hartford. In case a teacher is not sent them from Louisville, they will employ Andrews Brown, Col'd, who came there some time ago for the purpose of getting a school. The school will open Sept. 1st 1868.

4th I would suggest that \$120.00 be allowed to complete the building, and if possible \$10. per month toward the support of the teacher. They have received no benefits from the tax levied by the county for the support of colored schools.

Trustees,
Abner Phipps, Jacob Sherman and
George Webb, all colored,
Quinn A. Rapp, colored, of Hartford will
(over)

carry on the necessary correspondence with this office.

At Cosmopolis Ohio Co. the Freedmen are endeavoring to erect a building for school purposes, would have a probable attendance of 30 pupils.

At Slater, Ohio Co. the Freedmen have a building 22×32 partially completed. have their lot held for but will not be able to finish the building without assistance from the Bureau. I was not able to visit these places, but requested Dennis H. Rags of Westford, to find out the particulars with regard to cost of buildings &c and make a report to this office as soon as practicable, which he promised to do.

The feeling of the whites with regard to educating the blacks, may be set down as follows: - one half hostile, the other half totally indifferent.

I am, Captain,

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt Servt

J. S. Reeves

Chas. Bureau & A. B. A. L.

25 Aug 68

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Louisville, Ky

August 25th 1868

Burbank, Sydney

Asst. Commr. Ky

Requests Captain
Brown to forward
all vouchers for
payment by Sept.
2nd 1868. States that
if not forwarded
by that date they
will not be paid
until about Oct. 1st

1868.

Recd. Bute. Bureau A. 31. 8. 1868

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

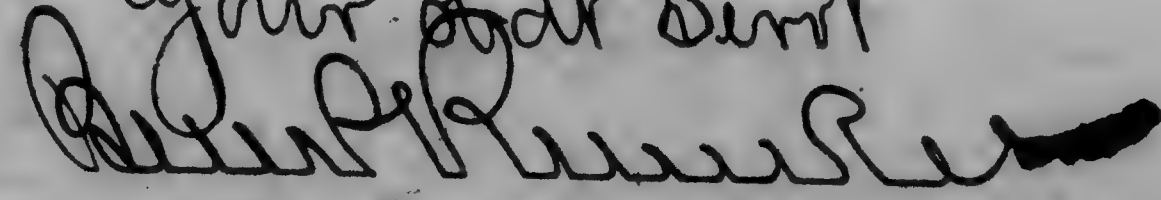
Louisville, Ky., Aug 25th 1868.

Col Capt A Benam Brown
Chief Sub Asst Commr to
Paducah Ky
Captain;

I am directed by Col Brig Genl Sidney
Burbank Asst Commr State of Ky. to request you to forward
all vouchers to this office for payment by September 2nd 1868.

If not received by that date. They will not be paid
until about the first of October 1868.

Very Respectfully
Yours Sdlt Servt


Robert Lee W.D. Army
Chief of Staff

MS. 225. 1860

Report of

V. H. Echooms, Supt. &c.

under S.O. no. 4, H.S. Dist. West. Dis.
of Aug. 19 '68 - relation

to schools at
Hadensville, Trenton
Hopkinsville & Elkton.

Sept. 1, 1868.

R. J. Butte Paducah Ky. Sept. 1. 1868

Paducah, Ky. Sept. 1, 1868.

Rt. Capt. A. B. Brown, U.S.A.

Chf. S. A. Conir, Western Dist.

Paducah, Ky.

Sir: In accordance with S. O. no. 4, Hd. Qu. Western District, dated Paducah, Ky. August 19, 1868, I have the honor to submit the following report:

Madenville.

The rebels having, in the month of February 1868, destroyed by fire the Freedmen's school near Madenville, the school is now being held in a log-cabin (15x15), situated on the farm of Mr. Leroy Taliaferro, one mile and a half distant from Old Madenville. This cabin is too small, and unfit for school-purposes, particularly during the winter season. There are forty children in the neighborhood who are expected to attend school as soon as a building can be had. Mr. Leroy Taliaferro has kindly offered to donate one acre of ground, and fifty dollars for the purpose of building a new school-house.

The amount required is three hundred dollars. I promised the freedmen that if they would raise two hundred dollars in one month (from Aug. 24) I would do what I could to procure from the Government the balance of fifty dollars.

The following were appointed trustees: Robert Taliaferro, Watson Taliaferro, John Brown.

Thomas R. Johnson, a good teacher, is now, and has been since March 1, 1868, teaching uninterruptedly. Rent of \$10. for his school, from May 1, 1868, payable to L. Taliaferro, has been authorized; but nothing, excepting ten dollars for May '68, has ever been received. About the middle of July last a check for ten dollars, payable to L. Taliaferro, was sent by Maj. W. C. Cleary from Bowling Green to W. T. Buckner at Hopkinsville, and was by the latter returned. Correspondent: Leroy Taliaferro.

Trenton -

Of about one hundred children in and about Trenton at least fifty are expected to attend school. On a quarter of an acre of ground kindly donated by Col. E. B. Sebrer, a fine and remarkably well-built frame building (40 x 20) valued

at five hundred dollars has been recently erected for church and school purposes.

I earnestly recommend an appropriation of eighty dollars (\$80.) which sum is needed to complete the plastering of the house. A competent teacher is wanted there immediately.

Trustees: Albert Lipscomb, Geo. M. Straine, Geo. Wallace.
Correspondent: Col. E. B. Sebree.

Elkton.

The population of this town is about seven hundred, of whom three-fifths are colored. Of these there are two hundred who ought to attend school. The average number attending the colored school during this year was eighty-five.

The school closed July 15, 1868.

Besides a large frame church, the colored people own a two story brick building (20 x 35), value \$500, in which their schools have been kept. Their last teacher, M. T. Weir, made himself obnoxious through his immorality. Euclid Loring (col. 9) of whom little is known, and who was absent during my visit, opened a school on 20th Augt. last.

His competency is now being investigated.

Trustees: J. G. Hallingworth, S. E. Glaser
Robert Travis. Correspondent: Robert Travis.

Hopkinsville.

Two schools were to re-open Sept. 1, to be taught by the old teachers (James M. Bell and C. Malone) who are both quite competent. No subscriptions for the new school-house had been obtained or sought.

During an earnest meeting held August 24, one explanation given me was the desire of the committee, having the matter in charge, to remain quiet for a few days so that they might, without hindrance, purchase a certain lot to be sold at Sheriff's sale. I insisted on their going to work forthwith to raise money, at least among themselves. They agreed to do so, and to call a meeting of all the colored people for that purpose on the following Wednesday (two days thereafter). They promised me I should have a report of amount raised in three weeks (from Aug. 24).

Correspondent: M^{rs} J. Rucker.

Yours respectfully
Your obedient servant
V. H. Echorn
Supt. Schools &c.

Dr 26 1868

Green River Ky
Aug 25 1868

Clay Brook Co

The school house
at Flat Place is com-
pleted.

This house is erected

Rec. Bute. Paducah H. 2. 9. 68

Greenbrier 14 Aug 24 1868
 Capt A Benson Brown
 Chip Sul East Comm

Captain
 I have the
 honor to report the school house
 at Greenbrier completed.

I am Captain by Respectfully
 Your Obedient Servant
 Edward Claybrook

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500 5th Ave. New York

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for _____

Dated _____ 1881

Received of _____
the sum of _____
for _____

The undersigned hereby certifies that the within is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears to him for the purpose of the follow-
ing certificate.
WILLIAM G. STONE, Prov't.

Dated, September 2 1888

Received at Paducah Sept 2
by T. D. C. A. Bowen Bureau
of Education

Teachers
of intermediate schools
immediately
wanted. Where shall they
report.

O. K. Noble
Chf Supt Education
State of Ky

Bureau of the U. S. Army
Post Office, St. Louis
Louisville, August 31, 1868

Respectfully transmitted
to Brigadier A. B. Brown
who is hereby author-
ized to employ messengers
as directed in Enfor-
ment of the Major Genl
Commissioners of Aug
24th 1868 -

By order of
Brigadier Genl S. Burbank

Wm. R. Miller
Brigadier Genl

Chief of Staff
No. 954.680
W. R. Miller, Adm. S. A. 1868

Aug-171-1868

Lafayette Ky

Aug 13/68
31st Regt. Ill. Inf.

Cumberland Department
George H. Thomas
Maj Genl W.A. Rouse

Refer disapproved, so far as
relates to the detail of enlisted
men. - Letter (bearing endorsement)
of H. Benson Major, 1st 43rd Inf
Quart Capt W.A. & Chief Sub Airt Rom
B. R. F. & A. L. at Paducah Ky.
asking that two enlisted men of the 25th
Inf. be detailed for duty as messengers
in his Office.

The Comd'g Officer Dist of Memphis
recommended - as a matter of economy
to the Govt. that colored messengers
be employed at an expense of
\$10. or 15 per month. ER

One Enclosure
Recd app. ans - 19 & 8

Adjutant General's Office.
Washington. Aug. 21st 1868.
Respectfully referred to
Major General O. O. Howard.
Commissioner of the Bureau
of Refugees, Freedmen, and
Abandoned Lands.

J. C. Kelton
Assistant Adjutant Genl.
J.M.W.
8-19-68.
J.M.

War Department
Bureau R. & A. S.
Washington Aug. 24th 1868.

Respectfully returned to R. R. King
Genl. S. Banks Dist. Commr. for
Kentucky, with authority to employ
colored messengers in case he deems
their services necessary
By order of
Major Genl. O. O. Howard

C. W. McClellan
Recd back A. S. O. Ky Aug 27/68

100-1-1868
 368 RPA Vol 308
 Respectfully returned
 I have not sufficient
 troops at Paducah to
 comply with this request;
 it is a difficult matter
 to guard the prisoners
 and stores, & perform
 other such necessary
 duties without overtaxing
 the men; and I often
 have to dispense with
 an orderly myself.
 Having just been re-
 lieved from the duties
 performed by Bot
 Capt Brown, and
 having had no ne-
 cessity to employ
 messengers, the out-
 side business being
 attended to by myself.

100-1-1868
 I cannot see
 why it should be
 necessary now, par-
 ticularly as the force
 has been increased
 by two more clerks.
 However as there may
 be reasons unknown
 to me now, I would
 respectfully suggest
 that an authority be request-
 ed to employ colored
 messengers at \$10 or \$15
 per month, not only
 because troops cannot
 well be spared for that
 purpose but because
 of the economy to the
 Govt. a soldier costing
 \$31.50 per month.
 P. J. Swaine
 Maj 25th Inf Regt
 Commanding

Ad J's Dep't Cumberland
 Louisville, Ky. Aug 13th 1868.
 Respectfully referred to the
 Adjutant Gen'l U.S.A.
 disapproved so far as the
 detail of enlisted men as
 messengers in the office of
 1st Lt. H. Benson, Brown
 43rd Inf. Bot Capt U.S.A. Chief
 Supt. Aft Commr, Bureau
 R. D. A. Lands, Western Dist
 of Kentucky, at Paducah,
 is concerned.
 Geo. H. Thomas
 Major General U.S.A.
 Commanding.
 (Encl.)
 E. B. D. C. #442. 1868.
 (Trasfer)

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Adm Office Ky
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Brown A Benfon
1st Capt U.S.A.

Requests a detail
of two enlisted men
from 25th Infantry
for service as mess
sengers in his office

15 Sep inc
Shel Bell

Sales and 19.80

A. B.

Recd A. B. O. Ky July 30-1868

Bureau N. & S. Land
Asst Commis Office - Ky
Louisville July 31. 1868.

Respectfully forwarded
to Maj Genl George H
Thomas Comdg Dist
of the Cumberland
Louisville Ky. with the
recommendation that
the within request be
granted.

J. B. Munn,
1st Brig Genl U.S.A.
Asst Commis Ky
End 9.12.68

Adm's Dept of the Cumberland
Louisville Ky August 3rd 1868

Respectfully referred to
Comdg Officer Dist of
Memphis. approved.

By Command of
Major Genl Thomas.
Wm. Whipple

Bot Major Genl U.S.A.
C. B. D. C. # 420. 1868.
C. B. D. C. # 442. 1868.

Recd Adm's Dept of Memphis
August 8th 1868.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

^{Sub. Asst. Comm.}
Office Chief Agent, Western Sub-District,

Paducah, Ky.,

July 27th

1868.

Det. Col. Ben. P. Runkle U.S.A.
Chief of Staff & D.O.
State of Kentucky

Colonel

I have the honor to request
a detail of two (2) enlisted men from
detachment 25th U.S. Infantry, at Padu-
cah Ky. for service as messengers in
office at Ad. Qrs. Western Dist. Paducah
Kentucky.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant.

Wm. Brown

1st Lt. 43rd Inftry 1st Capt. U.S.A.
Chief Sub. Asst. Comm.

B 181. Do Ky 1868.

Bureau C. 336
Head Quarters Western District Ky
Paducah Ky, August 15, 68.

Brown A. Benson, Jr. Capt
Chief Sub-Asst Com

Says the following named soldiers
of Volunteers request the return
of their discharges from the War
Department. Says they have recd
their bounty and their Comd Agents
have not recd their discharges

John Tally Co D H U S A

Stephen Lewis Co E H U S A

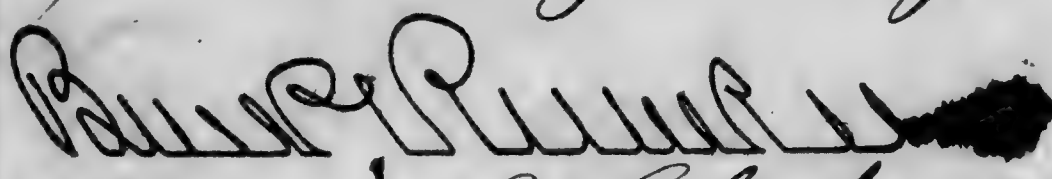
Paducah

Recd A. S. O. Ky Aug 21-1868

Bureau Refugee Freedmen and Lands
Asst Comr Office State of Kentucky
Louisville Ky August 22nd 1868

Respectfully referred to Mr. M. C. Cluskey
Claim Agent to McKean Kentucky
who is requested to forward the dis-
charges of the within named men
to this Office, if in his possession
Please return this letter.

By order of B. Brig Genl Sidney Barstow



B. Brig Genl Sidney Barstow
Chief of Staff
A. B. 118 1868

Respectfully returns with
the information that claim
within was only qualified to
before me as Acting Public
and forwarded to J. H. Kuntze
of Columbus O Claim Agent
who has since returned the
the discharges of elements
and they have recently
been delivered

W. M. Cluskey
N. P. Fulton as

Bureau C. 336
Asst Comr Office State of Ky
Louisville Ky Sept 2. 1868

Respectfully returned to
Capt A. Benson Brown,
Chf S. A. C. Paducah Ky,
Attention called to endorsement
of W. M. Cluskey hereon

By order of B. Brig Genl Sidney Barstow

B. Brig Genl Sidney Barstow
Chief of Staff
A. B. 118 1868

Bureau R. A. A. Lander
Chief Sub Assr Comm Office
Paducah, Ky; August 15, 1868

Bt. Col. Ben P. Runkle U.S.A.
Chief of Staff & Q. Q.
Louisville, Ky.

Colonel:

The following named soldiers of
Volts request the return of their dischar-
ges from the War Dept. They have recei-
ved their bounties and their Claim Agents
have not received their discharges for them.
John Tally Co. "D" 4th H. Artillery, U.S. Troops
Stephen Lewis Co. "E" 4th Heavy Artillery, U.S. Troops
Claim Agents, W. C. Closs, Hickman, Ky.
Law. Col.

Very Respectfully,
Yours Obedt Servt
H. H. Closs

W. C. Closs, Bt. Capt U.S.A.
H. H. Closs, Bt. Capt U.S.A.

Sep 9. 68

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Louisville, Ky
Sept. 9th 1868.

Burbank, S.

West. Commr. Ky
Informs Captain
Brown in reply to
his endorsement of
August 31st 1868 on
letter of Dennis T.
Brown Rep, that \$60
will be paid from
the funds of the Bureau
to be used for school
purposes at Hartford
Ky. &c. &c.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky

Louisville, Ky.,

Louisville, Ky., September 7th 1868.

Comrs
B. H. A. Benson Brown

Chief Sub Asst Commr. No.

Paducah, Ky.

Captain:

I am directed by Bt. Brig. Genl. S. Purbank, Assistant Commissioner State of Ky. to inform you, in reply to your endorsement of August 31st 1865, on letter of Dennis J. Clap, dated Aug. 14. 1865, that sixty Dollars (\$60⁰⁰) will be paid from the funds of this Bureau to complete the house to be used for school purposes at Hartford, Ky. And also to inform you that Ten dollars (\$10⁰⁰) per month from September 1st 1865, will be paid from the funds of this Bureau to J. Brown, for rent of building at Hartford, Ky. to be used for school purposes, on condition that no children of Freedmen are excluded on account of their relatives or friends being unable to pay for their tuition.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant

Br Colonel U.S.A. Chief of Staff KC

6-330.1868
Morgantown Sept-8th 1868

Deigio John S.
Judge Union Co. Court

Notes - by request of Colant men
that they have succeeded by
subscriptions \$678 - for the purpose
of buying a lot & erect-
ing a house of worship &
for school purposes -
Purchased a lot for \$175
Elected Thos Brady, Isaac
Williams, Henry McElroy
Wm McElroy and Daniel
Ewell - all colored - as Trus-
tees & Building Committee
and asked for the former
appropriation from
the Bureau. -

ans. S.B. 15.9.68.

Recd Parker Sept 11th 1868.

Morganfield Sept 8, 1868

Sir R. S. Egelston
Paducah -

Sir

At the request of the Colored men here, I write to inform you, that they have raised by subscription six hundred and twenty eight dollars for the purpose of buying a lot and building a house of worship and for the purpose of a school. They have contracted for a lot adjoining the town at the price of \$175.00 They have organized by electing Thomas Brady, Isaac Williams, Henry McElroy, William McElroy and Dick Ewell all of color, as trustees and building committee. These men I know to be respectable intelligent and honest and deserve the trust placed in them by their friends. Nearly all of the money subscribed has been paid up - and the committee is confident of being able to collect nearly all of the balance.

They wish you to make the necessary arrangement to let them have the amount proposed to be given them by the Freedmen's Bureau to aid in their undertaking. They ask that you communicate with them as early as possible.

Ans Sept 15 Respectfully

John S. Geiger Judge
Union County Court.

Isaac Williams informs me that
Col Hall has given them fifty dollars that is
not down on their subscription paper, which
would make the amt raised \$678.00
all good.

Yrs &c

John S. Eager

Paducah 35th

Sept-10th 1868

Ogletown B. S.

2^d Dist. & Executive Office

Makes Report of inspection
pursuant to Cir. B. S. C.

to the State 36th Geo Western

Dist Ky August 19th 1868

Relative to Prospects of

Schools for Freedmen at

Cassville

Raleigh

Uniontown

Catharine

Livermore

Leavenworth

Rev. B. S. Paducah Ky. 14.9.68

Paducah, Ky.

September 10th 1868

Bot. Capt. J. Benson Brown, U.S.A.,
Chief Sub Asst Comm Western Dist.
Paducah, Ky.

Captain

Pursuant to instructions
contained in Par 3. Special Order
No. 4, dated "Bureau B. F. & A. Land
Head Quarters Western District of Ky
Paducah, Ky. August 19th 1868," I
have the honor to submit the follow-
ing report:

Cassysville

Number of pupils 40.

No suitable building for school purposes.
The Freedmen promise to raise all
they can to purchase a house and
lot in the town. The main building
is about 18x30 feet. with a wing about
15x18 feet.

The above house and lot can
be bought for about \$300.00 and it will
cost \$150.00 to put the same in good
order for a school.

Barber.

Capt. J. St. Dennis, Correspondent.

W. H. Dunn. Alfred Smalwood. Aaron Walker

From Mr

James O'Shea

290.00

and balance

to Bureau

Raleigh

There are not enough Freedmen to maintain a school in Raleigh. I called together the Freedmen of Raleigh and vicinity, and they agreed to put up a log school house about two miles from town if they could find anyone who will sell them a lot. I called upon one lady who owns, or has control of a large tract of land, but she would not sell a lot for a school house, and does not want a nigger school anywhere near her.

Number of pupils that would attend school forty.

Nathaniel Johnson, Correspondent,

Union Town

Number of pupils 45.

No suitable building for a school house. Washington Lee, Colored, is teaching in an old block-house. The Freedmen promise to purchase a lot, and do all they can to put a school house on the same.

Robert Street, Correspondent,

Galena

Probably number of pupils at this place 25.
The Freedmen intend to build a school
house, but have not yet decided whether
to build in the town or in the country.
The Freedmen who have lots in town
offer to give one for school purposes,
James Overstreet, Corresponding,

Semin Moore

Livermore

There are not enough Freedmen at this
place to maintain a school.

R. E. Hackett, Corresponding,

Lewistown

No Freedmen at this place, and not
many in the vicinity.

I was not able to learn the cost of the
proposed buildings at the several places,
nor the amount of help they would need
to complete the same.

The Freedmen are
getting along very well at all the places
I visited.

Very Respectfully,

Your obt. Servt.

R. E. Eggleston

and J. H. 25th St. N. W. D. C.
Executive Office

Q. 359. 1860

Paducah Ky

Sept 14th 1861

Wm G. Turner

Chief Clerk

Makes report of inspection
in compliance with
Special Order No. 4. Par 1
from Wm G. Turner List
Ky. Dated Aug 11th 1860, in
relation to Establishing
schools at,

Turn Rolling Mills

Permyngham

Murray

Yarmington

Portoro

Rec. Date. Paducah Ky. 14.9.68

Bureau Refugees Freedmen & Abandoned Lands.
Head Quarters, Western District, State of Ky.
Paducah Kentucky Sept. 14th 1868.

Col. Capt. A. Simon Brown & Co
Chief Sub. Asst. Commr. &c.
Paducah Ky.
Captain

In compliance with Special
orders No. 4. par 1. Hd. Qs. Western Dist. State of Ky.
dated Paducah Ky. August 9th 1868. I have
the honor to make the following Report.

Tennessee Rolling Mills.

School closed May 31st 1868. The Teachers
Rev. W. J. Brown & Family (Col) left by an order
from the Baptist Conference, promising
to furnish Teachers by the 1st of September.
Number of Scholars attending school eighty
to one hundred by day. — No assistance requir-
ed from the Bureau. Mr. D. Hilman the
proprietor of the Mills; is very anxious to
have the school opened, and requests that
the Teacher (Col) be sober, industrious and
nothing of a politician, but if possible a mem-
ber of the Baptist Church. Teachers to
report to Mr Hilman or John Reeder (Col)
Chief of the "Vanguard" a Company organ-
ized for the protection of the Freedmen at
that place from the gang called K. K. Klan.

Birmingham

Called a Meeting & organized a new school
to open on the 14th Sept. with 25. to 30.
Scholars day & 20. to 25. night. at present
will occupy a small log shanty sometimes
used for preaching 16 x 16. Joe Young (col),
presented the Freedmen with a town lot to
build a school House, giving them deed
for same while used for school purposes.

Appointed Trustees viz. William Campbell
Leah Stett & Anthony Holland.

after reading circular, I instructed them
to raise a subscription of seventyfive to
One hundred dollars. I would recommend
an appropriation of One hundred Dollars
from the Government or one half the
amount required to put up the building

Appointed Teacher Gilbert Burton (col)
late Sergeant 53rd U.S.C. appropriation
\$10⁰⁰/₁₀₀. References to keep the Office
advised of the enterprise. Doctor J. Ellis
& Laburn Locker

Murray

This town and County is so bitterly opposed
to educating or in any way advancing the
Negro, that it would be impossible to
establish a school without troops, or some
agent of the Bureau for protection

after ascertaining from the leading men
the above facts. I called a meeting of
some ten or eleven colored people, and
read Circular No 8. advising them what
course to adopt. The Court of Common
Pleas being in session, quite a number of
Citizens were in town. & some of them under
the influences of bad whiskey were threatening
and abusing any one that interest themselves
for the Negro. posting up cards, new
enterprise, school to be opened, how many
scholars, wanted subscriptions, what color &c.

A school might be opened and some twenty
/20/ scholars attend, if any one could be found
in town to encourage the school.

For the last three years the Freedmen have
been driven away from Calloway County,
and the few remaining are protected by
their old masters.

Garrington

There is no chance for a school, only five or
six families within four or five miles of town.
three of them have no children & the others
have only seven or eight old enough to attend
school. I could find no union man in
the place and like runaway the Freedmen
have been driven off, and gone either to
Mayfield or Paducah, where employment
can be obtained and wages received.

Sept. 1868

Paducah Ky.
Sept. 15. 1868

Eckhard

V. H.

Supt. of Schools

Report of inspection
made pursuant to
Special Orders No. 4 from
Adj. Gen. Western District Ky.
dated August 19th 1868 -

Blancville

Clinton

Madrid Bond

Rec. Buro. Paducah W. S. D. 15.9.68

Padencah, Ky. Sept. 12, 1868.

Ht. Capt. A. Benson Brown,
Chf S. A. Comr. Western Dist. Ky.
Paducah, Ky.

Sir: In answer to S. O. no. 4 Hd. Qrs. Western Dist. dated August 19, 1868 I have the honor to submit the following report:

In order to save time and expense I found it necessary to visit Blandville last, and all my papers having been stolen at that place, I am enabled to furnish but an incomplete report.

Blandville.

From this village nearly all the colored people have been driven so that now there is not half a score of children left to attend school.

About five miles, however, from Blandville, on the telegraph road running from Blandville to Columbus, a school can be started:

- 1st About twenty five pupils may be expected.
- 2^d The freedmen have an old frame house, suitable for

a small school.

3^d There is no person there capable to teach.

4th An appropriation of ten dollars per month for rent of school building is all, I think, that will be needed.

Trustees: Thomas Ringgold, Nelson Coyle and
Richard Coyle.

Correspondent: W. C. Hendricks, Blandville -
Clinton.

From this place, also, freedmen have, and are being
driven, so that there are no children left with
which to make up a school.

Madrid Bend.

This peninsula is very sparsely settled, and
nowhere by a sufficient number of freedmen
to make up a school. Into this region, owing
to roaming outlaws, even the whites dare not
cross from New Madrid.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant

V. H. Echorn

Sept 22.

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Mayfield N.Y.
Sept. 22^d 1868

Golniger T. D.

Writs in relation
to Freedmen's School
building & Prospect
of School this month

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J. T. BOLINGER,
ATTORNEY AT LAW & GENERAL COLLECTING AGENT,
 MAYFIELD, KY.

Mayfield, Ky Sept 22 1866

Capt Brown
 Dear Sir

The school house for the Col people here is large and open not ceiled and windows out. It will cost near \$150 to finish it. There is a debt due from the house for 65 for work on same and the colored people do not take any interest in the matter. They say that the Beanna at Paducah had promised to send money to finish their house & have been making no efforts to do finish it themselves. There is quite a number of them here and a good large school could be kept up with a good comfortable house and a sober competent teacher. It was a misfortune that Jackson ever come here with his habits of Drunkenness. He has been a cause of ~~misery~~ ^{evil} among the blacks as his example has been bad and demoralizing. With the situation of the house no school can be taught this winter - a lady teacher would find much trouble & many serious obstacles in her way in attempting to teach a Col school here and I would not advise that one should ever come here.

of course the union citizens would attempt to defend
 her from insult which I fear would involve us all
 in serious trouble and in the state god knows
 what fun union men there is have trouble enough -
 there is no freedom unless you go with the Democratic
 party - Such is Kentucky - where Rebels rule.

Yours Truly

J T Balingier

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Louisville, Ky.

Sept. 19th 1868

Burbank, Sydney

Asst. Commr. Ky.

Informs Captain
Brown in reply to his
statement indorsement
of Sep. 15th 1868, on
letter of James Taylor
and Felix Kernley,
Trustees, dated Aug.
25th 1868, that \$15 per
month will be paid
for to Richmond
Wilkinson for rent of
building for school
purposes &c.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., September 19th 1868.

Capt A. Benson Brown
Chief Sub Agent
Paducah, Ky.

Captain:

I am directed by Brig. Genl. Sidney
Burbank, Assistant State of Kentucky to inform
you, in reply to your endorsement of Sept 15th 1868, on
letter of James Taylor and Felix Kautley, Trustees, dated Aug
25th 1868, that Fifteen dollars (\$15⁰⁰) per month from
October 1st 1868, will be paid from the funds of this
Bureau to Richmond Wickerson for rent of building to
be used for school purposes at Pleasant Grove, Daviess
County, Ky. on condition that no children of freedmen
are excluded on account of their relatives or friends
being unable to pay for their tuition

Very Respectfully

Your obedt Servt



Colonel of Army.

Chief of Staff &c.

noted
26.9.68

Sept 37/4. 1865

Chas. A. F. & A. L.
A. C. O. State Ky
Louisville Sept 22. 65

Bernett S. J.
Lt. Capt. U. S. A. C.

Telegram

Where shall the
two tinchers be cont-

Windsorville
Sept 22
Dr. Capt. A. Benson
Frederic Benson

Where shall the two
teachers report
Levi J. Barnett
Dr. Capt. W. B.
A. A. B.

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Louisville, Ky

Sept. 25th 1868

Burbank, Sydney

Asst. Commr of Ky.

Informs Captain
Brown in reply to
his letter of the 19th
of Sept. 1868, that \$15⁰⁰
per month from Sep.
1st 1868 will be paid
to H. J. Post instead
of to C. B. Cheatham
instead of as heretofore.

St. Russ. Palmer St. 25.9.68

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., September 25th 1865

St. Captain A. Benson Brown
Chief Sub Agent Commr. to
Paducah, Ky.

Captain:

Now directed by St. Brig Genl Sidney
Purbank, Chief Commissioner State of Kentucky, to
inform you in reply to your letter of September 17, 1865,
that fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per month from September
1st 1865 will be paid to H. J. Poy instead of to E. B.
Cheatham, as heretofore.

Very Respectfully

Yours obedt servant
Levi L. Bennett,

St. Captain U.S. Army.
Act. A. General.

L.R. 383. 1868

Clendenon by
Sept 30th 68

Part 2 A. S.
Atty at Law

Mar's Report of outrages
committed by the "12 12 13"
on the frontier. H. Bowler
Cal,

Rd. Ante - Paducah Ky. 1.10.68.

Office of H. S. Park,

Attorney and General Collecting Agent.

Henderson, Ky., September 30th 1868.

Sir:

Forrest - Bowler late private Co "H" 8th H.A. Cal.
came to me to day & asks that I report to
you that last night at Eight o'clock seven
K.K.K.s came to his house at Corydon &
attacked him and shot him in the right shoulder.
He returned three four three times & run what
he can he does not know - he left the
School Teacher there and does not know what they
done to her -

He says that he will swear to two of
them Robert Gibson Jr. & John Ables - he
is not hurt much as it was a glancing shot -
Squire Wm Green warned them him to leave
as he had heard the threaten to kill him for
they attacked him -

Respectfully &c
H. S. Park

LD 385. 1867

Report of

J. H. Echorn
Supt. of Schools

Under S. O. No 6. 2d
Gr Western Dist. of
~~Sept 15th~~ 1868 in
relation to Schools at
Evansville, Levisaport
Lawrenceville, Cannelton
Cherryport

Oct 1st 1868,

Rd. Sub. P. & C. W. D. 1. 10. 68.

Paducah, Ky. Oct. 1, 1868.

Rt. Capt. A. B. Brown,

Chf. S. A. Comr. Western Dist.

Paducah, Ky.

Sir:

In answer to Special Order No. 6, current series, I have the honor to submit the following report.

Evansville.

In this city, whither many colored people have immigrated from Kentucky, there is one building erected for a freedmen's school. It is of brick, 36 x 48, cost \$3000., and was erected by the city on donated ground while republicans were in office. The building which is now closed - owing principally to contentions among the colored people, will probably be destroyed by order of the democratic city authorities.

There are, however, three churches in which schools will soon be taught. In the Baptist church a school was started Sept. 28 by Mrs. J. Tammis, an intelligent white lady who has had some years

experience in teaching the public schools in Evansville. Very nearly one hundred pupils will attend. I recommend that \$15. per month be appropriated for the support of this school payable to Mr. John Tammis.

There are about 350 children in Evansville who ought to attend school.

Lewisport.

There is not a sufficient number of freedmen for a school at this place.

Waverly.

Col. James Jennings has agreed to donate one quarter of an acre of ground, and to sell another quarter for seventy five dollars, twenty five down, the balance in one and two years. The proposed building will be 20x30 and cost \$300. - Though subscription papers were started months since, and though there is a considerable number of freedmen at this place, but fifty six ¹⁰⁰ dollars have been subscribed, and sixteen dollars paid in.

They were distinctly informed that before they could obtain Government assistance, they should do better by themselves.

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Promises were made that immediate and vigorous efforts would be made to obtain money. I proposed they should have, in the meantime, a school in a rented house. All necessary arrangements were soon completed; the school was started the same day with thirty four scholars, and is now in successful operation.

Cannelton.

There is not a sufficient number of freedmen to have a school. The children living there will attend the school at Hawesville.

Cloverport.

The school at this place is reported to H. D. in Central District. No can there be a school started in the neighborhood nearer than a settlement called Fordville, Hancock Co., eighteen miles from Cloverport. Twenty five to thirty scholars would attend. Communications respecting this locality to be addressed to Ben. Carter (Col.) Cloverport.

Very respectfully &c.

T. H. Echorn.

Aug 30 1868

Bureau P. & Co
Asst Comm Offt Chelby
Lancaster 14y Sept 30 68

Burbank, D. per
Comm. L. Bureau
Pet. Col. Chief of Staff

Approves the employing
of Chelby Bell as an Or-
derly in Asst Bureau Office
at a salary of \$75 per Mo

Rd. Auto Paducah 2.10.68

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky.,

September 30th 1868.

Col Capt A. Benson. Proctor.

Chief Sub Commissioner &c

Paducah, Ky.

Captain:

I am directed by St. Brig. Genl. Sidney Purfank
Assistant Commissioner State of Kentucky, to inform
you, in reply to your letter of September 18th 1868.
that your action in employing Shelby Bell (Colored)
as messenger in your Office at Twenty five dollars
(\$25.00) per month from September 15th 1868. is ap-
proved

Very Respectfully

Garobdiferon

Colonel A. A.

Chief of Staff &c

Princeton, Caldwell Co.
Ky. Sept. 28th 1868

Murrell, E. A.

Replies to Lieutenant
Brown's letter ordering
her to deliver up to
Jack Baker and Polly
Stokes their little color-
ed girl which she
claims to have hired
of them &c.

for the services of said little
Negro girl until Dec. 25th 1868,
and did not have, or make
any other claim or pretention,
to said girl, only as a hired
servant; and knowing what
little chance, a respectable
white persons has to get
justice, in a suit with Negro
Bureau men; and ^{to} avoid
costs, by lawing with worthless
and insolvent parties, I did
within the time specified
in your Edict, tender said
little Negro girl, to the said Jack
& Pally, as in said Edict requiring,
per, Mr. C. Pop Baker a
white gentleman of high stand-
ing, a Union man, ^{who is} well
known to Judge Linnell, Col.
Hensbun and others of Padonok;
and said Jack & Pally, ~~were~~
were willing, that I should
keep said little Negro girl

the time as aforesaid; and the
selfsame said Jack & Pally,
and myself, entered into
a written agreement, in ac-
cordance with said former
contract, hiring to me the
said little Negro girl, as
aforesaid until the 25th
day of December 1868. said
written agreement is witnessed
by said C. Pop Baker and was
placed in his hands for safe
keeping; all this ^{consent} has been done,
by mutual ^{consent} of all parties, and
with a full and fair under-
standing of all parties. Besides,
Jack & Pally positively deny,
that they or either of them ever
made any complaint to you,
and they deny most positively,
that they or either of them, asked
or requested any person to do
so, and say they will make
affidavits to the same.

facts in the case, you certainly
not have written the letter,
you owe, to me - By what law,
have you the right, to order me,
to deliver up a hired girl, until
her term expires, when the
hire is paid in advance; and
when the little girl prefers to
live with me, to her parents
Jack & Polly. Now Sir, I very
respectfully, request you, to give
me the name of the person
or persons, who made said
complaint to you - If you fail
to do so, I will get the affidavits
of Jack & Polly, and publish the
same with your letter and said
written agreement and proper com-
ments thereon, in Paduech Herald.
The people here are anxious to
know, who is contemptible enough,
to make such reports to you -
and without any cause whatever.
Please reply immediately, and
give me the name or names of
complainants.

Very Respectfully
E. A. Murrell

Wilmington, Delaware
Sept. 28th. 1868

Wm. A. Brown,
(Dear Sir,

I received your
letter a few days since, ordering
me, to deliver to Jack Baker
and Polly Stokes their little
Negro Girl; which I had hired
of said Polly and Jack, until
the 25th day of December 1868,
and had paid them the price
agreed upon in advance for
said girl; and this contract
I can prove by several people,
both white and colored.

But notwithstanding I have
hired said little Negro Girl
of her parents, Jack & Polly,
with a full and fair under-
standing, and had paid them
their price as agreed upon

Princeton Caldwell Co. Ky.
Sept. 28th. 1868

Friend Brown,
(Dear Sir,

I received your letter a few days since, ordering me, to deliver to Jack Baker and Polly Stokes their little Negro Girl; which I had lived of said Polly and Jack, until the 25th day of December 1868, and had paid them the price agreed upon in advance for said girl; and this contract I can prove by several people, both white and colored.

But notwithstanding I have lived said little Negro Girl of her parents, Jack & Polly, with a full and fair understanding, and had paid them their price as agreed upon

for the services of said little
Negro girl until Dec. 25th 1868,
and did not hear, or make
any other claim or partition,
to said girl, only as a hired
servant; and knowing what
little chance, a respectable
white persons has to get
justice, in a suit with Negro
Bureau men; and ^{to} avoid
costs, by dealing with worthless
and insolvent parties, I did
within the time specified
in your Edict, tender said
little Negro girl, to the said Jack
& Pally, as in said Edict requiring,
per, Mr. C. Pope Baker a
white gentleman of high stand-
-ing, a Union man, ^{who is} well
known to Judge Trimble, Col.
Hensbun and others of Padonah;
and said Jack & Pally, ~~were~~
were willing, that I should
keep said little Negro girl

the time as aforesaid; and the
self-same said Jack & Pally,
and myself, entered into
a written agreement, in re-
cordance with said former
contract, hiring to me the
said little Negro girl, at
aforesaid until the 25th
day of December 1868. said
written agreement is witnessed
by said C. Pope Baker and was
placed in his hands for safe
keeping; all this has been done,
by mutual ^{consent} of all parties, and
with a full and fair under-
-standing of all parties. Besides,
Jack & Pally positively deny,
that they or either of them ever
made any complaint to you,
and they deny most positively,
that they or either of them, asked
or requested any person to do
so, and say they will make
affidavits to the same.

Now Sir, when you ~~have~~ ^{know} the facts in the case, you certainly ^{must} have written the letter, you owe, to me - By what law, have you the right, to order me, to deliver up a hired girl, ^{until} her time expires, when the hire is paid in advance: and when the little girl prefers to live with me, to her parents Jack & Pally. Now Sir, I very respectfully, request you, to give me the name of the person or persons, who made said complaint to you - If you fail to do so, I will get the affidavits of Jack & Pally, and publish the same with your letter and said written request, and proper comments thereon, in Paduech Herald.

The people here are anxious to know, who is contemptible enough, to make such reports to Gov. Watrous and without any cause whatever. Please reply immediately, and give me the name or names of complainants.

Very Respectfully
E. A. Merrill.

Pennsylvania Ky
Sept 1868

Platchman John
or
Mitchum.

Says that Mrs C. W.
Murrell lived upon
a colored woman
at Lancaster. for cooking
her for her child whom
she Mrs Murrell, holds in
custody

Letter reply 18.9.73.10

Princeton N.J. Sept 1868
To the agent of the Freedman
Bureau. Received by
Dear Sir

On Tuesday and Wednesday
night last E. A. Marshall
a woman of abandoned
character and wicked
disposition fired two shots
at a colored woman
named Polly Stokes - This was
on Tuesday night - on Tuesday
Wednesday night she fired
two shots at Jas. R. Batten
a colored man the husband
of the said Polly -
The facts of the case are
these - This woman Marshall
had the child a little
girl of said Polly and Jas.
and they went frequently
to talk with the said Marshall
about getting said child and
this was all they done - The
Police judges of the Town
Boards with the said Marshall
and fined the colored people and
did nothing with Marshall.

A man by the name of
G. W. Munnell a Rebel captain
aided actively in hiding and
concealing the child from
its parent and also H. L.
all good men both of whom
stood at the home of Munnell
and are persons of high
I hope you will have this
matter attended to - I should
people have no protection here
such people as Munnell
impose on them in this way
constantly - I refer you
to John W. H. W. W. W. W.
and L. P. Piper for the truth
of what I say being I hope
soon to hear from you
in regard to this matter
and anything I can do or that
may be essential for our tools
in this matter to have protection
I will do it

Yours truly
John W. H. W. W. W.
advised L. P. Piper Princeton
N. J. Nov 88

Whitehouse

L. B. 394. 1868

Bureau R. Y. & A.

A. C. C. State Ky

Louisville Oct 5 to 8

Burnett's Sidney

Rt Brig Genl. Asst Com.

Burnett Levi A. A. A. G.

Says that \$500 will be
appropriated from funds
of this Bureau to aid
the Freedmen of Cum-
berland Ky in erecting a
School House,

Voucher signed by Wm
Hill for labor & material
should be forwarded to

A. C. C. St. Ky for payment

Rd. Ant & Paducah Ky. 8.10.68

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky.,

October 5th 1868.

Bk Capt A. Benson Brown,
Chief S. A. Commis
Paducah Ky.

Captain:

I am directed
by Bt Brig Genl S. S. Burbank, Asst Comr
State of Ky to inform you in reply
to your endorsement of Sept 29, 1868
that Sixty (\$60) dollars will be ap-
propriated from the funds of this
Bureau to aid the freedmen of
Greenbrier Ky in erecting a
School building -

Vouchers for that amount
for materials used and services ren-
dered should be signed by Wm
Hill and forwarded to this office
for payment.

Very respectfully Your obk servt
Levi L. Burnett,

Bk Captain U.S.A., a.a., a. Genl

a. 10. 68

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Bureau P. F. & A. S.

A. C. C. State Ky

Louisville Oct 5th 68

Burtcomb's Genl. S.

Asst. Comm. State Ky

by
Burnett Secy. A. C. C. S.

Says that \$20 per month
from Oct 1. 68
will be paid from funds
of this Bureau to Louisa
Alexander for rent of
School building at
Mayfield Ky. On con-
dition that no children
be excluded on account
of parents and friends
being unable to pay tuition.

Rd Bute Paducah Ky. 8. 10. 68.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., October 5th 1868.

Wm Captain A. Benson Brown
Chief S. A. Burns & Co
Paducah Ky.
Captain:

I am directed
by Bt. Brig Genl S. Burbank, Assistant
Commissioner State of Kentucky to in-
form you in reply to your letter
of September 28th 1868 that twenty (\$20)
dollars per month from October 1st
1868 will be paid Louisa Alexander
from the funds of this Bureau for
rent of a school building at Mayfield
Ky, on condition that no children of
Freedmen are excluded on account
of their relatives or friends being
unable to pay for their tuition

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servt

Levi L. Burnett,

Wm Capt. u.s.a. a.d.a. Genl

L.R. 396. 1868

Greenupburg Ky
Oct 4th 1868

Friend E. J. S.
Agent

Says in answer to Capt.
Brown's letter of 26th Sept 68
That The Three blank ac-
cepts of.

The Webb Co^y 1868
Mannell Stoddard Co^y 1868
Marion William Co^y 1868
must be signed and sent
to Gen Balloch before Drafts
will be sent.

That Edward Jones
father of John Jones is
reported as living at Columbus
Ky. lives at Charleston Mo
10 miles from Cairo.

Recd Parkers Oct 9 1868

Greensburg Ky
Oct 4. 1868

Capt H Benson Brown
Sub. Asst Comr.
Paducah Ky

Captain

I have the honor to acknowledge
yours of the 26 Sept. In answer would say that the three
blank receipts must be sent to Gen Bullock after being signed
before drafts will be sent - John Webb - Co K 4th U. S. Col's Heavy

Manuel Stovall " W. H. " " " "

Marion Williams " H. " " " "

Edward Jones, father of John Swank I endorsed as living at
Columbus Ky. - I believe now that he lives at Charleston Mo.
18 miles from Cairo -

Very Respectfully your obt Servt
E. J. Schuchert Capt

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Bureau O. F. & S.
W. C. O. State Ky
Louisville Oct 7th 1868

<u>Barbours</u>	Sidney
Bt. Brig. Genl.	Apt Commr.
<u>Burnett</u>	Levi
Bt. Capt.	Adm. Genl.

S. O. No 113. Par 2 A. C. O.
Approves P. S. Perce
journey to Paducah Ky
and return to Paducah
Ky. on Official business
connected with Freedmen
Schools. under instruc-
tions of Chief Sub apt.
Commr Western Dist of
Kentucky

Rd Route Paducah Ky. 10.10.68

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., October 7th 1868.

SPECIAL ORDERS,

No. 113

EXTRACT.

II. The journey performed by P. S. Reeves, Clerk, from Paducah to Cadiz, Ky., and return to Paducah, on official business relative to Freedmen's Schools, under instructions from Office Chief Sub Asst. Commr. Western District Ky., dated Sept 15th 1868 is hereby approved.

By order of Brevet Brigadier General **SIDNEY BURBANK,**

Assistant Commissioner, State of Kentucky.

Attest A. B. Brown
Paducah Ky

Levi L. Bennett

Brevet Captain U. S. A., A. A. A. General.

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Bureau P. York
Capt. Corner Office
Louisville Oct 10th 1868

Par II

S. O. No 114

Thos A C O State Rep

Closed Dispensary at
Owensboro Ky. ^{Oct. 5, 1868} District
Surgeon to ~~turn over~~
all medical stores
to R. A. Bell Surgeon
Chief B. M. A. S. State Rep
and ~~to~~ apply to Surgeon
in Chief for Orders.

Rd. Ant. Paducah Mo. 13. 10. 68

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., October 10, 1868.

Special Orders, }

No. 114 }

EXTRACT.

The following Dispensaries for Refugees and Freedmen in the State of Kentucky will be closed on October 15, 1868 viz

+ Dispensary at Owensboro. Ky.

The Surgeons in charge of the above named Dispensaries will without delay turn over to Dr. L. A. Bell Surgeon in Chief Bureau R. F. & A. Lands State of Ky. the medicines and medical stores for which they are responsible and report by letter to the Surgeon in Chief for orders.

By order of Brevet Brigadier General SIDNEY BURBANK,
Assistant Commissioner, State of Kentucky.

By Capt A. Benson Brown

Chf & accor
Proveably

Leon J. Burnett

Brevet Captain, U. S. A.; A. A. A. General.

copy sent direct to Gilbert

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Bureau P. & A. L.

A. C. O. State of Ky

Louisville Oct 10th 1868

For V.

Special Orders

No 114.

From A. C. O. State Ky

Relieves & Transfers P. S.

Egleston 25th of Sep. from

Duty as executive Officer

Paducah Ky. Directs him

to report by letter to the

Commanding Officer

Det of the Cumberland

for orders.

R. B. G. Paducah Ky. 13. 10. 68

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., October 10th 1868.

Special Orders, }

No. 114

EXTRACT.

+ + + +
VI. The following named Officer on duty in the Bureau
Refugees Freedmen and Abandoned Lands State of Kentucky is
hereby relieved from duty, his services being no longer required
2^d Lieutenant R. D. Egelston 25th U.S. Infantry Executive
Officer Paducah Ky.
Lieutenant Egelston will report ^{by letter} to the Commanding Officer
Department of the Cumberland for orders.
x x x x

By order of Brevet Brigadier General SIDNEY BURBANK,

Assistant Commissioner, State of Kentucky.

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Bt. Capt. A. Benson Brown
Paducah Ky

Levi F. Burnetts

Brevet Captain, U. S. A., A. A. A. General.

Oct. 12, 1868

Bureau R. & A. S.
W. C. O. State Ky
Sourville Oct 12. 68

~~Burbank, D. per~~
Russell Genl.
Opt. Col & Chief of Staff

Says that 15 dollars per Mo
each will be paid from
funds of Bureau from
Oct 1st to J. G. Carstensen
for rent of building
at Shaver's town Ill
and Mary L. Jackson
for rent of building
at Brookfield Ill for
school purposes

Rd. Bute. Paducah Ky. 15. 10. 68

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky.,

Oct. 12th

1868.

Br Capt A. Benson Brown
Chief Sub Asst Comm
Jadueah Ky.
Capt.

I am directed by
Br Brig Gen Sidney Purbark Asst Comm State of Ky
to inform you in reply to your letter of October
6th 1868 that Fifteen (15) Dollars per month, each
will be paid from the funds of this Bureau from
October 1st 1868 to James G. Carstensen for rent
of a building at Shawneetown Ky. and to Mary
L. Jackson for rent of a building at Brooklyn
Ky. to be used for School purposes. on condition that
no children of Freedmen are excluded on account
of their relatives or friends being unable to pay for
their tuition.

I am Very Respectfully.

Your Obedt Servant.

Br Col. M. A. Ga
Chief of Staff &c.

S.D. - Sept. 1868

Bureau R. Fund A.L.

V. Co. O. State of Ky

Genesee Oct 12th 1868,

Burbank, D. - per

Pursell Ben D

Br. Col. Chief of Staff re

Says that \$15 dollars per
month will be paid from
the funds of this Bureau
from Oct, 1868, to Nanna
E. Mason for rent of
a building at Trenton
Ky. to be used for
school purposes.

Ad. Bu to Paducah St. 15, 10, 68

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., Oct 12th 1868.

Post Capt. A. Benson Bronx.
Chief Sub Asst Comm
Paducah Ky
Capt.

I am directed by Brig Genl Sidney Burbank Asst Comm State of Ky to inform you in reply to your letter of October 7. 1868 that Fifteen (15) dollars per month will be paid from the funds of this Bureau from October 1st 1868 to Hannah E. Mason for rent of a building at Trenton Ky., to be used for school purposes, on condition that no children of Freedmen are included on account of their relatives or friends being unable to pay for their tuition.

I am Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servant

Dr. Colonel M. J. A.
Chief of Staff &c.

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D. 405. 1868

~~John 15-~~

Columbus Key

Lisburn E. D.

Sept 25 Infy

Encloses Duplicate In-
voices and receipts for
Public Property Transferred
Says that he has for-
warded with the list
all Books, Papers &c
pertaining to Benjamin
in his possession

See 5B at 10. 68

Rd. Bute. Paducah Ky. 15. 10. 68

NARA 735

Columbus Kentucky

Sir

Enclosed I have the honor to transmit
duplicate "Invoices and Receipts" for B. P. D. and A. G.
Sigs. I was ordered to turn over to you.
I also forward you with this letter - one (1) Survey
Book - one (1) Endorsement Book, one (1) Civil and Criminal
Book - one (1) Court Book, one (1) Civil & Criminal Trial
Book, one (1) Bureau Office Manual, together with, all
Orders - Blanks - School tickets and all Official Communi-
cations in my possession pertaining to the Bureau.
Please sign and return Receipts.

I am Sir, Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant


W. C. W. Cum
Capt. 25th U. S. Infantry
Det. Act. Gen. &c.

Atty Capt. A. Jensen 1 Bureau &c
Chf. Det. Act. Gen. &c
Paducah.
Ky

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BUREAU R. F. AND A. L.

Head-Quarters Western District of Ky.

Paducah, Ky., 12 Oct 1868

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BROWN, A. BENSON

BVT. CAPT. U. S. A., CHIEF SUB. ASST. COM'R.

Acknowledges receipt of personal letter of Oct. 9th.

Requests that additional evidence be furnished in the claim of Edward Newman, late Pvt. Co. D. 26. S. C. T. in favor of his mother Rhoda Woods.

Causeville Ind

Oct 16 1868

Respectfully returned to Capt A B Brown with the information that the letter referred to was forwarded to Dr Bell Asst Surgeon Freedman's Hospital, Louisville Ky. as he is the only person who could give any information as Edward Newman died in that Hospital.

A. V. Lawrence

Re. Brown Paducah Aug 26 1868

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BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN AND ABANDONED LANDS,

Head-Quarters, Western District of Ky.

Paducah, Ky., Oct 12th 1868

Capt St Lawrence
Evansville, Ind.

Sir,

Your personal letter of 9th October
has been received. An official letter dated
21st Sept. was recently sent you for addition-
al evidence in claim of Edward Newman
last private & Co. 107th U.S.C. Troops in favor of
his mother Rhoda Woods. Please furnish
evidence as soon as possible.

Very Respectfully,
Abner Brown

Bot Capt U.S.A.
City of St. Louis

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Bureau of A. L. S. & L. S.
A. L. S. State of Ky
Lexington Oct 17th 1868
~~Franklin, S. J.~~

Thurman Ben D
Bt. Col. Wm H. C. Ky

Asks that all Discharges
of Colored Soldiers
which have not been made
up and forwarded to
Washington, be forwarded
to A. L. S. State Ky -

Determine if any
such Discharges are in
the hands of the late
agents of this Bureau.

See SB 21. 10. 68

Ad. Bute. Paduente H. 21. 10. 68

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Lt. Capt. A. Benson Brown
 Chief Sub. St. Comm.
 Paducah Ky.
 Captain

Captain.

I am directed by Mr. Ing. Geo S. Beubant, Act. Commr. State of Ky. to instruct you to forward to this office all the Discharges of Colored soldiers in your possession, whose claims have not been made up and forwarded to Washington, stating in each case the last known address of the claimant. You will ascertain whether any of the Agents, lately on duty in your district, have in their possession any discharges of Colored soldiers which they received while acting as Agents of this Bureau.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obedt. Servant
Wm R. Runkle
St Albans, Vt.

SR 121, 1868

Bureau R. F. A. L.
Asst. Comm: Office Statist
Louisville Ky Oct 20. 68

Burbank, S - per
Remile Rm. P.

Rt. Col. U.S.A. Adj. Tky

Says the following
amounts will be paid
from the funds of
this Bureau from
Oct 1st 1868 for rent
of School buildings
Twenty dollars for Mrs.
A. J. immediately Elston
Twenty dollars for Mr
Lorisa Alexander in-
stead of J. H. Oastrom
Mayfield Ky.

Fifteen dollars to J. T. T.
mis. Evansville Ind
Twenty dollars to Mrs
A. C. LeLars, Crump
Tenn Ky. Recd Bureau Oct 21st

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., October 20th 1868.

Post Capt A. Benson Brown
Chief Sub Asst Commr
Paducah Ky.
Capt

I am directed by St Brig Genl Sidney

Burbank Asst Commr State of Ky to inform you in reply to your letter of the 5 inst that the following amounts will be paid from the funds of this Bureau from October 1st 1868 for rent of School buildings.

Twenty (20) dollars pr mo to Gemima Lilly. Elkton (#2)

Twenty (20) dollars pr mo to Louisa Alexander. Mayfield Ky instead of to St. Jackson as heretofore.


Fifteen (15) dollars pr mo to J. Tannis Evansville

Twenty (20) dollars pr mo to Mrs S. C. Clark. Crump's Farm,

On condition that no children of freedmen are excluded on account of their relatives or friends being unable to pay for their tuition.

I am Capt

Your Obedt Servt


B. C. Calvert U.S. Chief of Staff.

SOB Sept. 1868

Millburn Kentucky
Oct 19th 1868

Chevaule SOB

Says there are only two fam-
ilies of colored people -
within a mile of Millburn
with one child in both that
could attend School. and
Three or four colored chil-
dren in the town working
for white for their victuals
and clothes. That if the
number of people was
sufficient the Union
white would not dare
over a school
for Freedmen.

Ab. Ande. Padueat 22. 10. 68

Capt. A. B. Brown
 Milburn Ky.

Oct. 19th. 1868

Capt. A. B. Brown

Dear Sir,

Yours

favour of the 14th. inst was
 recieved in due time and
 contents noted.

In answer, I would say there
 are only two families of
 black persons living in or
 within one mile of Milburn,
 and the two have only one
 child that could go to
 school. There is not a house
 in Milburn for rent.

There are three or four
 black children in town,
 one only, at a place, working
 for white people, for their
 victuals and clothes.

Even if the colored people
were here, with plenty of
children to make a good
school, it would not be
safe for the union people
to let it be known that
they had done anything
to encourage a school of
that kind.

Any further informa-
tion you may want
I will give cheerfully at
any time.

Very respectfully
Yours &c.

H. H. Chinnault.

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Bureau P. O. N. Y. C.

Act. Comm. Office St. Ky
Louisville Ky Oct 20, 68

of Burbank, D. per
Summit P. O. N. Y. C.

St. Col. 20.11. State Ky

Sup. that \$800 will
be appropriated from
the funds of this
Bureau to plaster
the School building
at Trenton Ky.

Rec. Burc. P. O. N. Y. C. Oct 21, 68

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., October 20th 1868.

Port Capt A. Benson Brown,
Chief Sub Test Court,
Taducah Ky.
Captain.

I am directed by Bt
Brig Genl Sidney Burbank Test Court State of Ky. to in-
form you in reply to your letter of October 13th
1868. that Eighty (80) Dollars will be paid from
the funds of this Bureau for plastering the
School house at Trenton Ky.

I am

Very Resp^{ly}

Your Obedt Servant

Samuel R. Smith

Act Colmell J. Army
Chief of Staff & Disbursing Officer

LR 4 23-1868.

Bureau P. & A. L.
Asst Comm. Office St. Hy
Louisville Oct 20th 1868

Burlank, S-per
Rumile Rev. O.
At Col O. C. St. Hy

Sup that \$25 for mo
will be paid M^{rs} E.
Thomas for rent of
School building at
Corrydown Ky. instead
of \$10 as heretofore.

Res. Burc. Paducah Oct 24, 68

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky,

October 20

1868.

Dear Capt A. T. Benson Prison

Chief Sub West Cor

Paducah Ky.

Capt.

I am directed by Brig
 Genl Sidney Pembark West Cor State of Ky
 to inform you in reply to your letter of Oct 5.
 1868. that Twenty Five (\$25) dollars per month will
 be paid from the funds of this Bureau to Mrs E
 J Thomas for rent of School building at Corydon Ky
 from Oct 1st 1868 ^{to 31 Dec 1868} instead of Ten (\$10) dollars, as here-
 before.

I am Capt

Very Resp^y

Yours Obedt Servt

B. R. R. R.

B. R. R. R.
 Chief of Staff

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Bureau R. 3. A. L.
Asst. Comm. Office St. Ky
Louisville Oct 25. 68

Burbank, D. per
Renssela B. W. P.
St. Col. ref. a. r. l. O.

Says that the following
amounts will be appro-
priated from Bureau
funds to aid in com-
pleting school build-
ings at.

<u>Wiestman</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>
<u>Mayfield</u>	<u>150.00</u>

Recd Bureau Paducah Oct. 21. 68

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., October 20th 1868.

Post Capt A. T. Benson Brown
Chief Sub West Court
Paducah Ky.

Capt.

I am directed by Post Brig Genl Sidney Burbank West Com'r
State of Ky. to inform you in reply to your letter of Sept 26. 68
that the following amounts will be appropriated from the
funds of this Bureau to aid in completing school build-
ings. Viz:

Hickman Fulton Co	\$100.00
Mayfield Graves Co	150.00

I am Capt

Very Resp^{ly}

Sam Obedt Serot

[Signature]

Post Colonel J. A.

Chief of Staff

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BUREAU R. F. AND A. L.

Head-Quarters Western District of Ky.

Paducah, Ky., Oct 13 1868

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BROWN, A. BENSON

BVT. CAPT. U. S. A., CHF. SUB. ASST. COM'R.

Says Mrs R Johnson (col'd) has been teaching at Hadensville. Rent of ten dolls for his school from May 1st 1868 has been authorized, but only ten dolls for May has been received. About middle of July last a check for ten dolls was sent by Maj McHenry to Dr J Buckner at Hopkinsville and was returned by the latter. Only dolls for June July Aug + Sept are due -

Recd A. L. O. Ky Oct 14-1868

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A. L. O. Ky Oct 20 1868

Respectfully returns to Bt Capt. J. Benson Brown. Chief Sub. Asst Com'r etc. with the information that rent at Hadensville was paid for May and June 1868. Rent for July was not reported by you and your Report of June and Article Office for same month was also reported "closed" in School Report. Checks for August & Sept 1868 have this day been sent to L. L. Linsinger through your office.

Report of Bt Capt. J. Benson Brown

End 1002
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BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN AND ABANDONED LANDS,

Head-Quarters, Western District of Ky.

Paducah, Ky., Oct 13th 1868

Br Col Ben, P. Runkle, U.S.A.
 Chief of Staff & G.O.
 Louisville, Ky.

Colonel,

Referring to my Special Report to
 you dated the 20th Sept. 1868, I have the honor
 to inform you that Thomas R. Johnson, Colored
 Teacher is now, and has been since 1st March
 1868 teaching [at Madensville] uninterruptedly.
 "King of the (10) dollars for his school from 1st
 May payable to L. Taliaferro, has been authorized,
 "but nothing except ten (10) dollars for May has ever been
 "received. About the middle of July last, a check for ten
 "(10) dollars was sent by Major W. C. Henry from
 "Bowling Green, to H. J. Buechner at Hopkinsville,
 and was by the latter returned,

Only (10) dollars for June, July, August & September are due.
 I am Col.

Very Respectfully, Yr obt Servant
 H. B. Brown

1st Lt. 43rd Infy. Br Col. R. G. A.
 Chief of Staff at Camp

24. V.L. 3/68. Rec'd. C.D.
 Cairo, Ill. Aug. 3rd 1868
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Schenk E. J.
 Agt. re.

Encloses the receipt of C. A.
 Dikes, Atty, re. for the discharge of
Alexander Laughlin, late of Co. F
 48th U. S. I. C. T., and states that
 the soldier does not appear to have
 a very clear idea of the whereabouts
 of his attorney, re. - imagines the
 P. O. address of att'y to be: Beulah
 Bolivar Co. Miss.

Receipt for
 25 Feb 1868
 [Signature]

E. J. 91. 503. V.L. 2/68.
 War Department
 Ben R. H. H. Claim Div.
 Washington, Oct 1-1868.

Respectfully returned to
 E. J. Schenk, Agent re.
 Cairo, Ill. with the in-
 formation that immedi-
 ately upon receipt of the en-
 closed letter, a statement
 of the case was submitted
 to the 2^d Auditor of the
 Treasury, who reports this
 date that the chain of the
 within named Alex. Laughlin
 is "out for settlement."

The claimant should en-
 deavor to ascertain the
 whereabouts of his attorney
 with the view to furnishing
 him his present address.

By order of
 Maj Gen. Stuart, Commandant
 William Brew.
 Agent R. H. H. H.
 Chief of Claim Div.

See St 2000 #27-1868
 Recampsbury 11y
 Oct 24. 1868.

Respectfully referred to
 130th Capt. J. Benson Brown
 in whose district I imagine
 Cairo to be.

E. J. Schenk
 Agt re.
 Rd. Paducah 30. 10. 1868.

1868.

Enclosed please find receipt
for discharge of Alexander Laughless 48 Reg. Co. 7th U. S. Col^d Fifty-
The man does not seem to have a very clear idea of the town in which
C. A. Dikes lives but I imagine it to be Beulah Bolivar Co. Miss.
You may perhaps have some record of this Claim Agents locality. I
therefore send the receipt to you. Laughless lives in Cairo. Another man
Mat Porter of same Regt & Co also lives here.

Very Respectfully

Yours Obedt Servt

C. T. S. Schenck

Apt &c.

Cairo Ill. August 2. 1868.

Major Gen O. O. Howard

Comr. Bureau N. F. & M.

Washington D.C.

General

Enclosed please find receipt
for discharge of Alexander Laughless 48 Reg. Co. 5th U. S. Col^d Infy.
The man does not seem to have a very clear idea of the town in which
C. A. Dikes lives but I imagine it to be Beulah Polk Co. Miss.
You may perhaps have some record of this Claim Agents locality. I
therefore send the receipt to you. Laughless lives in Cairo. Another man
Mat Porter of same Regt & Co also lives here.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servt

C. T. J. Schenck

Agt &c.

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Hidensville Ky
Oct 18, 1868

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Satiaferro L

Encloses letter from
Capt Brown, inclosing
blank voucher for
Oct rent for Satia-
ferro's signature
also blank school
report -

Says the rent
for July, Aug & Sept
has not been recd,
thinks there is some
thing wrong -

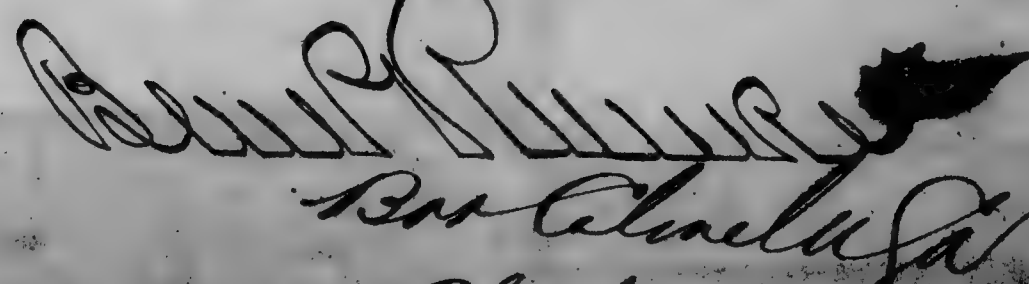
Asks if the Govt
can aid them in
building a school
house &c &c

Recd A. B. O. K. Oct 20/68

Bureau A. B. O. K.
Chief Comr Office State Ky
Louisville Ky. Oct 28. 68

Respectfully referred to
Bt Capt A. Benam Brown
Chief A. B. O. K. Advise him
for his information -

By order of
Bt Brig Genl A. B. Bant


Bt Brig Genl A. B. Bant

End 10/18/68
Chief of Staff

Shelburne Todd City Ky

Dear Sir

inclosed I send a letter
 to from Captain Brown I will
 be as brief as possible in giving you
 all the facts last March there was
 a Colored School Comenets On my place
 the teacher a Colored man the Colored
 people in my neighborhood is very poor
 and not able to pay for schooling their
 Children in May the School was visited
 by Mr Billings from Russellville I was
 advised by Mr Billings to Charge Ten
 Dollars per month for the School house and
 gave it to the teacher I don so I afford a
 voucher for May for which I recd ten dollar
 and gave it to the teacher in June I recd
 a Voucher from a man by the name of McKay
 of Boldnes Green for \$5 I afford that some few
 days after I recd another from the same place
 for \$10 I afford and sent that to him but have
 never heard any thing from the money man
 since in August the School was Visited by
 Cap Brown or one of his agents from

Shortly after he sent me Voucher for
 July August & September I asked them
 for \$10 each but has never since any way
 he no sends the voucher for October
 There is certainly something wrong I don't
 want the money for my self I can live
 without it I want the teacher to have
 it the winter is coming on and he has
 not got money to clothe him self

if you think the case is worth investigation
 I would to have your advice

Mr Billing promises Thomas R. Johnston the
 teacher to try and get him \$15 per
 month from the Bureau I think
 him a worthy man

This is the first time I have attempted
 any communication with the Bureau
 the House that is very poor as the school
 house is not suitable I will give
 1 Acre of Land and \$300 towards
 building school Will or can the
 Government help if so I would be
 pleased to hear from you

L. J. L. L. L.

To the Agent of the Freedmen
Bureau at
Louisville Ky

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LB of No. 68

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Louisville, Ky
November 3rd, 1868

Burbank, S.

Asst. Commr.

Informs Captain
Brown, in reply to
his letter of the 21st
ult that (\$15) fifteen
dollars per month
~~from~~ Oct. 1st 1868, will
be paid for rent of
school building at
Greenville, Ky.
V.C. V.C.

Received Paducah S. 11. 68

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., Nov 3 1868

Br Capt A Benford Brown
Chief Sub Asst Comm'r
Paducah Ky.
Captain:

I am directed
by Br Brig Genl S. S. Burbank Asst Comm'r
State of Kentucky to inform you in
reply to your letter of the 21st ult
that \$15 fifteen dollars per month
from Oct 1st 1868, will be paid from
the funds of this Bureau to Martha
Worles for rent of school building
at Greenville Ky, on condition that no
children of freedmen are excluded
on account of their relatives or friends
being unable to pay for their tuition.

Very respectfully

Your obedt Servant
R. R. R. R. R.

Br Colonel W. F. A.
Chief of Staff

A. O.

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Louiseville, Ky.

Nov. 5th 1868.

Burbank, S.

Asst. Commr.

Inform Captain
Brown, in reply to
his letter of Oct. 29th,
that the order revo-
king the appointment
of Theo. Stanberry, Lt.
in his office, is re-
closed. to date Nov.
15th 1868.

1. Enclosure

Received Paducah 9. 11. 1868.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., November 5th 1868.

Rt Captain A. Dawson Brown
Chief Subst Commissioner

Paducah, Ky.

Captain

I am directed by Rt. Brig General Sidney
Burbank, Chief Commr State of Kentucky, to inform
you, in reply to your letter of October 29th 1868 reques-
ting that the appointment of Mrs Stansbury Clerk
in your office be revoked, that the order revoking
said appointment to date Nov 15th 1868, is herewith
enclosed.

Very Respectfully

Your obedient servant.

Robert R. R.

Rt Colonel U.S.A.

Chief of Staff

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Paducah Ky
Nov 5, 1868

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Brown A. Benson
Bk Capt USA

Forwards letter of
Henry Bith requesting
\$100. from the Bureau
to assist the freed-
men of Allenville
in erecting a school
building. And rec-
ommends that the
appropriation be
made

A. L.

Recd A. L. O. Ky Nov 7-1868,

Pl. Paducah 30. Oct. 1868.

Bureau R S & L
J. G. W. Watson District Atty.
Paducah. 5. Nov. 1868.

Respectfully Forwarded to Col R. P.
Hinkle, U.S.A. Chgo. & Mass. etc. etc.
I recommend that the one hundred
dollars, asked for by within letter, may
be appropriated to finish the school building
at Allenville.

A. Benson Brown

1st Lt. 43rd Inf. Ark. & 1st Regt.
Chgo. 1st Dist. Comd.

Bureau of F. & L. Land
Asst. Commr. Office Ky
Louisville Nov 10. 68.

Respectfully returned
for Contract with
Security - when the
amount of aid
asked will be
appropriated -

By order of
Bk Brig Genl A. Burbank

Wm. P. Fannin
Bk Colonel USA
Chief of Staff

End 1027, 68m
J. G. W. Watson. 15. 11. 1868

A. B. Brown
Paducah

Allensville
Oct 27 1868

We have (\$280 00)
two hundred and thirty
dollars. that pays for
the lumber, but we like
money to pay for the build-
ing and the ground.

The colored people are
poor here and are not able
to carry it out. would
like to get assistance if
we could. I think that
the sum of \$100 00
would be sufficient to
carry it out

Yours truly
Henry Bibb

Report upon
 or more/less
 A. B. B. B.
 for the improvement
 of the church
 of every generation
 in the present
 state of the world

Nov. 9th. Rev. Mr. Noble, Rev. & dear Sir,
 I regard it as due to you to report
 progress: am sorry for the delay
 but believe we shall have the right
 man in the right place.

Have secured a promise of
 \$30. a month for Mr. Greenleaf
 from one of our Church in N. Y.
 and am negotiating for more.

In haste, Yours truly,
 B. B. Smith.

B. B. Smith
 Nov 9th 1847

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Stillwater Minn
Oct 24th 1868

My Dear Bishop

Your letter of the 16th
Sept is received enclosing fifty Dollars
for which I am greatly obliged -
I am very glad of the prospect of going
to Paducah and shall be on the way
as soon as possible, but it will
take me at least three weeks yet, to
close up my business here - I will
use my best diligence, to be on the ground
there at the earliest moment practicable -
I hardly expected you would be ready
for me so soon but am very thankful
that the way is fairly opened for me
to go at once - I will write you
again when I reach Paducah -

Yours very respectfully

E. C. Greenleaf

At Rev B. B. Smith d.d.

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Louisville, Ky.

November 16th 1868.

Burlank, Sydney

Asst. Commr. of Ky.

Informs Captain Brown
in reply to his letter
of November 9th 1868, that
the following amounts
will be appropriated
to complete School Build-
ings in his Dist. viz.

Corydon Henderson
County, Fifty (\$50) Dols.

Madisonville, Hopkins
County Fifty (\$50) Dols.

Marion, Crittenden
County Fifty (\$50) Dols.

Recd. Paducah 19. Nov 1868.

NARA 769

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky

Louisville, Ky., Nov 16th 1868.

Br Capt A Benson Brown

Chief Just Court

Padenock, Ky.

Captain:

I am directed by Br. Brig Genl S. Burdett
Just Court State of Kentucky, to inform you, in reply
to your letter of Nov 9th 1868. That the following amounts
will be appropriated from the funds of this Bureau
to complete school buildings in your District, viz:-
Longdon, Henderson County, Fifty (\$50) dollars
Madisonville, Hopkins County, Fifty (50) dollars
Marion, Crittenden County, Fifty (50) dollars.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

Benjamin R. Burdett

Br Colonel W. A.

Chief of Staff

20 Nov 1868

Louisville, Ky.
Nov. 20th 1868

Runkle, Ben. P.
Chief of Staff.

Directs Br. Captain
A. Benson Brown
to come and report
to ^{me} ~~him~~ immediately
on ^{your} ~~his~~ arrival.

Telegram.

Rec. Palace 20 Nov 1868

Form No. 1.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

O. H. PALMER, Sec'y.

WM. ORTON, Pres't.

Dated St Louis Mo 20 186 8

Received at Paducah Ky 20
To Br: Capt A Reuben Brown
Fredericks Bureau

Come and report to me
immediately on your
arrival

Ben. P. Brunkle
Br: Col U.S.A
Chf of Staff RC

Yours

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Paducah, Ky.

Nov. 25th 1868

Cochran, V. H.

Supt. I.C.

In obedience to
special order no 8
of Nov. 18th 1868 sub-
mits the within report.

J. C.

Rec. Paducah. 24. Nov. 1868.

Paducah, Ky.
Nov. 25th 1868

Paducah, Ky. Nov. 25, 1868.

Ht. Capt. A. B. Brown

Chief S. A. Comr.

Paducah, Ky.

Sir:

Referring to J. O. no. 8
of November 18, 1868 I have the honor to submit
the following report.

George A. Griffith's day-school (building 60x20,
cost \$1650.) is in a very prosperous condition, and
is well conducted. He started a night-school on
17th inst. with fifteen pupils.

On 20th inst. a portion of a large and well located
brick building (36x100) was rented of Mrs. Hayes for
a freedmen's school, and Mrs. A. J. Browne (Col.)
assigned as teacher. On that day she started
a day and night school, the former with
twenty five pupils, the latter with fifteen. I
recommend twenty dollars per month paid her
for rent of school. - I appointed George A.
Griffith local superintendent to supervise the schools in
and around Owensboro.

NARR 774

The schools now in operation in Owensboro,
four in number, are considered sufficient
to accommodate all who ought to attend.

Yours respectfully,

Your obedient servant

V. H. Echorn

Sept. 20.

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BUREAU R. F. AND A.

Head-Quarters Western District of Ky.

Paducah, Ky. Nov 3 1868
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BROWN, A. BENSON

BVT. CAPT. U. S. A., CHF. SUB. ASST. COM'R.

Encl. referring to Genl Bal-
loch's letter to E. B. O. Schmitt
Quintessence of the dated Sept
15th 1868, which enclosed checks
on N.Y. for vouchers as
follows

John Lewis # 2556 for 187th
John Nelson # 2557 for 100th
he asks to what company &
Regt they belonged in order
that he may identify them

Recd Dec. 14th Nov 5. 1868

Bureau R. F. & A. O. L. A. L.
Asst. Comm. Office
Louisville Nov 10. 68

Respectfully forwarded
to Bt Brig Genl Geo M
Balloch Chief D. C.
Washington D. C.
with the request
that the information
asked for be fur-
nished -

Very Respectfully
Bt Colonel U. S. A.
E. B. O. Kentucky

War Department
Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Washington Nov 12. 1868
Respectfully returned with
the information -
John Lewis Sergt B. 42nd N. A.
John Nelson Port I 44th N. A.

Geo. M. Balloch
Asst. Comm. Office
Recd back A. B. O. Ky Nov 16-1868

Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Asst. Comm. Office State of Ky
Louisville, Nov 20th 1868.

Respectfully transmitted to
Bt Capt A. Benson Brown
Chief Sub-Asst. Comm. Pad-
ucah, Ky.
Attention called to Com-
ment of Bt Brig General
Geo. M. Balloch, heron.

By order of
Bt Brig Genl S. Burbanck
Very Respectfully
Bt. Colonel U. S. A.
E. B. O. 1868
Spec. of office re-
Nov. 21. 11. 68.

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN AND ABANDONED LANDS,

Head-Quarters, Western District of Ky.

Paducah, Ky., Nov. 3rd 1868

Genl. G. H. Balloch,
C. D. Officer.

General,

Referring to your letter to E. T. Schunck
late Agent at Cairo, Ill. dated 15th Sept. 1868, which
enclosed checks on New York, for vouchers
received, as follows:

<u>John Lewis</u>	Check No. 2358	- for	\$187.00
<u>John Nelson</u>	Check No. 2357	for	\$100.50

I have the honor to ask to what Com-
pany and Regiment did each belong, so that I
may identify them.

I am, Genl.

Very Respectfully

Yours obt Servt

A. Benson Brown

1st Lt. 4th Regt. Col. Capt. Regt.
Chief S. A. Brown

Thro. A. C. O.

State Secy

Normal City, Ills. Nov. 17/68
Capt. A. Benson Brown
Paducah, Ky.

Sir; Your favor of
the 9th inst. came to hand in due
season. I have all the evidence you
require as to the identity of the man.
I looked up the case, as the en-
closed papers will show. About
the time the Cairo branch of the Bureau
of R. F. & A. L. was closing up the
claim was ordered paid there, but
as the agent was leaving forthwith
the matter was turned over to Louisville,
from which place I suppose you
received your orders. The man
is the veritable John Lewis. He has his
discharge in his pocket. Look at that,
compare with enclosed papers and un-
doubtedly you will be satisfied. Please
return by him the papers enclosed.

Very Respectfully &c
H. F. Potter

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25 Nov 68

Louisville, Ky
Nov. 25th 1868

Burbank, Sydney
Asst. Commr. Ky.

Y. O. No. 130 - Ex.

Directing the Chf.
Sub Asst. Commr.
to forward by express
to Brig. Col. Bent. P.

Unk. all record
of their offices prior
to July 16th 1868 and
records which have
been turned over
to them by Sub. Asst.
Commr. and Agents
prior to date of order.

Rec. Paducah 28. Nov. 68

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., November 25th 1868.

Special Orders, }

No. 130 }

EXTRACT.

The Chief Sub Assistant Commissioners will at once forward by Express to Colonel Ben P. Runkle, Chief of Staff Bureau of Freedmen & Abandoned Lands, at Louisville, Ky., all the records of their Office prior to July 16th 1868, and all the records which have been turned over to them by Sub Assistant Commissioners and Agents up to the date of this order.

Each Chief Sub Assistant Commissioner will be prepared to turn in the remaining records of his Office on the 25th of December 1868.

The books will be copied up indexed and completed.

By order of Brevet Brigadier General SIDNEY BURBANK,

Assistant Commissioner, State of Kentucky.

B. Capt. A. Benson Brown
Chf Sub Asst Commr.

Levi L. Burnett.

Brevet Captain, U. S. A., A. A. A. General.

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Louisville, Ky
Nov. 25th 1868

Burbank, Sydney
Asst. Command.

Instructs Captain
Brown to forward
all bounty money,
and receipts in
his possession, Dec.
10th 1868.

Recd Paducah 28. Dec 1868.

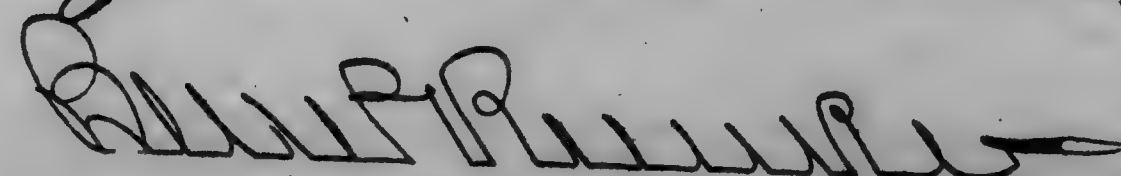
Durson P. Genl. & Surg.
 Asst. Commr's Office State of Ky.
 Louisville, Ky. Nov. 25th 1888.

Bt Captain A. P. Durson Brown
 Chief Subst. Commr's Office
 Paducah, Ky.

Captain:

I am directed by Bt. Brig General
 Sidney Burbank, Asst. Commr's State of Kentucky
 to instruct you to forward to this Office
 all Bounty money and Receipts in your possession
 on the 10th day of December 1888.

Very Respectfully
 Your Obedt. Servt.


 Bt Colonel W. F. Russell
 Chief of Staff &c

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Louiseville, Ky.
Nov. 28th 1868

Burbank, Sydney
Asst. Commr. Ky.

States that the
within named amount
will be paid for
School purposes. &c.

Rec. Paducah. Kt. 3. Dec. 1868

Louiseville, Ky.
Nov. 28th 1868

Burbank, Sydney
Asst. Commr. of Ky.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., Nov 28'

1868

St Capt A. Benson Esq.
Chief Subst Comm.
Paducah, Ky

Captain.

I am directed by St. Insp. Gen. S. Burbank,
Asst. Commr. State of Ky. to inform you in reply
to your letter of Nov 7th 1868, that the follow-
ing amounts will be paid from the funds of this
Bureau, from Nov 1868 for school purposes
as follows.

Nawcville Ky \$10 per mo to Robert McNeal
instead of to William Sykes as heretofore.
Chucabus Ky, \$15 per mo to Lucy L Hughes
instead of \$30 paid to A. Fuller by letter A.B.G.
dated Sept 11th 1868.

Bon harbor Ky, \$15 per mo. to L. L. Alexander.
On condition that no children of Freedmen are ex-
cluded on account of relatives or friends being unable
to pay for their tuition.

Yours Obedt Servt
Wm W. R. R.
St. Commr. of Ky.

N. 52 H. 89, 1868

Napkinsville Ky Nov 29/68

Dec 4 -
Nays D. S.

Has received a letter from Miss Lucy Hughes stating that she will return to Napkinsville if a house can be procured for her to teach in.

States that he has to a great extent overcome the opposition to colored schools

[Faint handwritten notes]

Recd. A. C. O. Ky Nov 27/68

Bureau R. H. & A. L. L.
Asst. Commr's Office Ky
Louisville Dec 4/68

Respectfully referred to Bk Capt. A. Benson Brown Chief S. W. Cornin Pastucab Ky. for his information & action.

By order of
Bk Brig Genl. S. Burtant
Bk Colonel USA
Chief of Staff
End 1063.68, W. H. H. 9. 1868

Hopkinsville Kentucky

Nov 25 1868

Col Rufus P. Runnle

Lancaster Ky

Dear Sir

I have just received a letter from
 Mrs Lucy R. Hughes, the Lady that
 taught our colored School here and
 she has promised me to return if
 I can procure a house for of which
 I have no doubt - and have so written
 to her - We have had two other
 colored Schools taught here by colored
 teachers that are entirely incompetent to
 teach - only one of which (that taught in
 the Baptist church) is now teaching

I have to a great extent succeeded in
 overcoming opposition to colored Schools

With our united regards from us

Yr. Obedt
 S. Hays

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Louisville, Ky
Decr. 5th 1868

Burbank, S.

Asst. Commr Ky,

Directs Captain
Brown to forward
all outstanding debts
against the Bureau
in his Dist. by the 20th inst.

Rec. Paducah 9. Dec, 866

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., December 5th 1868

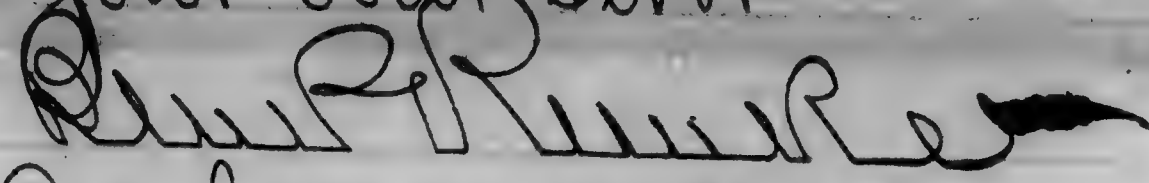
Post Captain A. Benson Brown
Chief Sub Asst Comr
Paducah Ky.

Captain:

I am directed by Post Brig Genl S. Burbank
Asst Comr State of Kentucky, to instruct you to forward
to this office by the 20th of December 1868 all outstanding claims
against the Bureau in your District.

This is not meant to include your regular
vouchers, but simply outstanding bills if there are any such
unpaid.

Very Respectfully
Your obt Servt


Post Colonel W. S. Army
Chief of Staff & Distg Offr

B 309 Me 2 sat 1868

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Hopkinsville, Ky.

July 19, 1868

Dec 7 -
Quetner W. S.

Returns check and numbers
for L. Talio ferry. After
diligent enquiry he finds
no such man in his County
here,

Refer to known

Sum ST 10.000

Stamp

D. D.

Recd A. C. O. Ky Dec 4-1868

Bureau R. H. & A. L. de
Asst Commr Office, Ky
Louisville Dec 7, 68

Respectfully referred
to Bk Capt A. Benson
Brown Chief of
A. Commr Paducah
Ky.

The enclosed
check was accident-
tally mislaid

By order of
Bk Brig Gen S. Burbank
Bk Colonel USA
EB 216 Chief of Staff
1868 Recd. Paducah 10. Dec 1868

received from (name) of (place) and
 was not at (place) at (time)

W. F. Buckner, Esq., St.

July 19th 1868

May McClary

Dr Sir

I enclose to you
 the check (and vouchers) made
 payable to L. Talapero. After
 diligent enquiring I have found
 no such man in this County.

I suppose he belongs to
 some other portion of the state.

Respectfully

Wm. F. Buckner

P.S. C. Malone, a former
 teacher of a day school - who
 has heretofore been paid \$15 per month
 through Wm Hubbard as for his services
 for Rent, has opened a night
 school - I think he is doing much
 good among the negroes. Cannot

No pay be continued to him.

He has 23 scholars from
the class who labor by day
and have time to learn only
by night. Let me hear from you.

Yours &c

H. J. B

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text follows, appearing to be a continuation of the letter or a separate page of notes.]

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Columbus, Ky
Decr. 8th 1868

Kennedy, J. W.
1st Lieut. 25th Inf.

Incloses Dupli-
cate receipts in form
No. 52 (Q.M.) for cloth-
ing issued to
Mr. Redder Wayne
colored. States
they should have
been forwarded at
an earlier date, but
were mislaid, &c.

Recd. Paducah, 10. Dec, 1868

Columbus Ky. Dec. 8th / 1868

Capt H. Benson Brown.

Penncah

Dear Sir.

Enclosed please find duplicate
receipts in form no 52. (2m.) for clothing
issued to McKendree Wayne. colored.
These receipts should have been for.
at an earlier date. but were delayed.
 Hoping soon to see you again in
Columbus -

I remain

Very respectfully

cc cc

J. McKendree
Jan 25th 1869.

1459
Louisville, Ky.
Dec. 10th 1868.

Noble, V. K.

Chaplain & Chf Supt.
of Schools

~~Requests~~ Requests that

Chief Sub Asst. Commr.
be ^{instructed} requested to furnish
his office with the
number and location
of School houses built
in their respective
Dists since June
30th 1867 &c
Official
Copy of letter.

Recd. P. duval 17. Dec. 1868

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky., December 10th 1867

Br Col Ben. P. Runnle
 Chief of Staff
 Colonel;

I have the honor to request that the Chief & Asst Commissioners be instructed to furnish this office with the number and location of School houses built in their respective Districts since June 30th 1867.

The report should also give the estimated value of each house together with the amount of aid furnished by the Bureau.

I am Colonel
 Very Respectfully
 (Signed) J. R. Noble
 Chaplain & Chief Supt Schools

Official copy furnished Br Capt A. Benson Brown Chief Supt Asst Comm Western District who is instructed to furnish the desired information

Ben. P. Runnle
 Br Colonel U.S. Army
 Chief of Staff & O.O.

B 317. Dec 2 1868

BUREAU R. F. AND A. L.
Head-Quarters Western Division

Paducah, Ky. Dec 2 1868
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BROWN, A. BENSON
BVT. CAPT. U. S. A., CHF. SUB. ASST. COM'R.

Requests Col Lunk's
receipts in duplicate

for
2 grs blank books

Receipts of Henderson

MB 3. 3 grs blank books

Receipts of Mansberg

(2 Encls)

See B 318. Dec 2 1868

G. D.

Recd A. B. O. Ky Dec 5-1868

Bureau of S. & A. L.
Ass Com Office Sta Ky
Louisville Ky Dec 10. 68

Respectfully returned to
Det Capt A Benson Brown
Chief S. A. Com Paducah
Ky. The books men-
tioned within should be
expended as used in
the records of his office.

By order of
Det Brig Genl R. B. B.

EB 220
1868
Det Colonel A. J. A.
Chief of Staff
Recd. Paducah Ky Dec 15. 68.

NARA 796

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN AND ABANDONED LANDS,

Head-Quarters, Western District of Ky.

Paducah, Ky., 2^d Decr. 1868.

Col. Gen. Ben. P. Ankles 2^d Lt.
Chief of Staff and D. O.
Louisville Kentucky
Colonel;

I have the honor to request your
Receipts in duplicate for the following described
Records Invoiced to you this day & forwarded by Ex-
press, pursuant to Special orders No 130. A. G. O.
Ky C. S. 1868.

Five 15, Two Quire (Blank) Books	Records of Henderson
Three 13, Three — (—) —	— — — — — Owensboro

These Books were invoiced to me
as Bureau A. T. & S. L. Stores.

I am

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

A. H. Brown

1st Lt. 4th 3^d Inf. 1st Div. Capt. 2^d Lt.

Chief Sub. Sect. Comr

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Louisville, Ky
Decr. 8th 1868

Burbank, D.

West. Commr. of Ky.

Informs Captain
Brown that transportation in kind will
be furnished to all
employees when dis-
charged to the pla-
ces at which they need
their appointments.

Directs that he for-
ward ^{See letter 18 Dec} all a list of
all employees in his
Dist. and places to
which transportation
will be required.

Rec. Paducah 18. Dec 68.

NARA 798

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky, Dec^r 8th 1868

Bk Captain A. Benbow Brown,
Chief S. A. Commis^r &
Paducah Ky,

Captain:

I am directed by Bt Brig Gen S.
Burbank Asst Comm^r State of Ky, to inform
you that transportation in kind, will
be furnished to all employees of this Bureau
when discharged, to the place at which
they received their appointments,

You will without delay
forward to this office the names of
all employees in your District & places
to which transportation will be required,
whether they are to be discharged or
not.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

Wm R. R. R.

Bk Colonel U.S.A.

Chief of Staff &c

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Louisville, Ky
Dec. 16th 1868

Burbank, D.

Asst. Commr. Ky.

Instructs Captain
Brown to label each
article in his posses-
sion, to be forward-
ed to Louisville
Ky. with the name
of the kind of stores,
whether Quartermas-
ters Stores, Clothing,
Camp & Garrison Equip-
age, or the Bureau
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Wm. Paducah Ky. 19. Dec 1868

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Louisville, Ky.,

Dec. 16 1868

D. Capt. J. R. Brown.

Chief Sub. Asst. Comm.

Paducah Ky

Capt.:

Dear Sir: I am directed by D. B. Biggins
 Acting Comdr. Asst. Comm. Ky. to instruct you
 to label each article in your possession to be
 forwarded to Louisville Ky. with the name of the
 place of store whether Quartermaster's store, clothing
 camp & laundry Equipage or Bureau store as the
 case may be.

Very Respectfully
 Yours Obedt. Servt.

~~Wm. R. R. R.~~

D. B. Biggins

Chief of Staff etc

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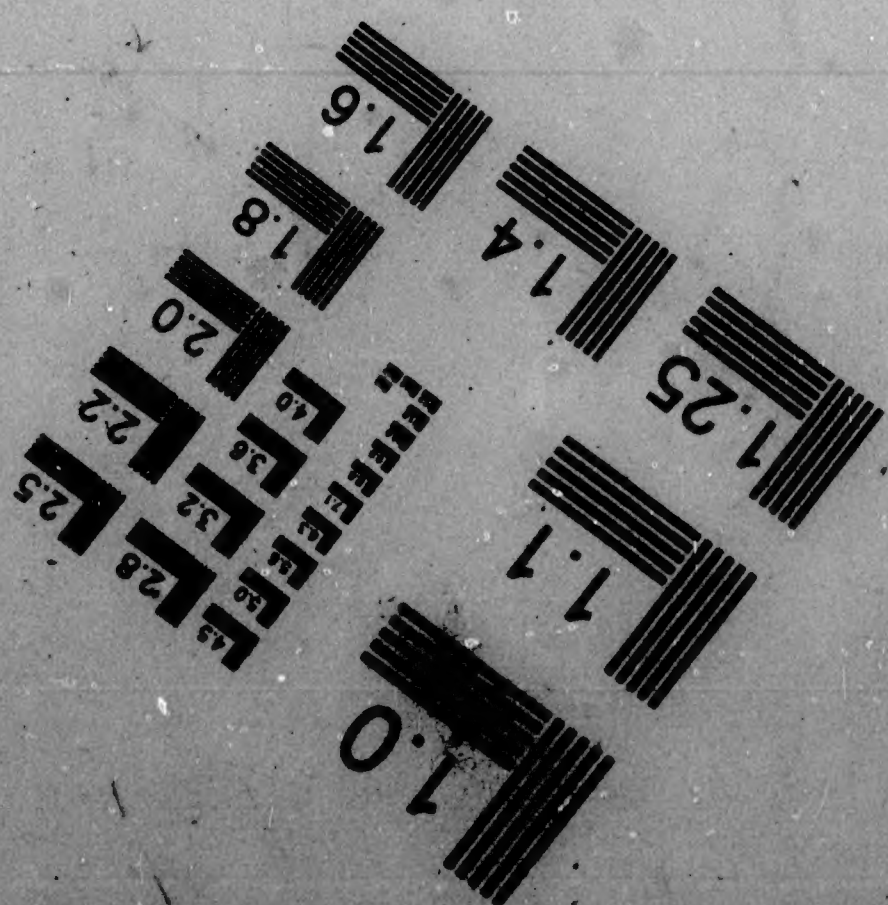
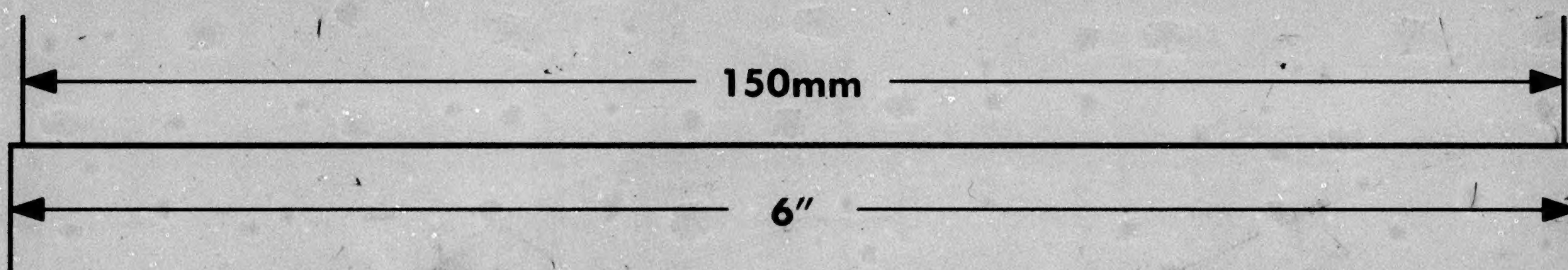
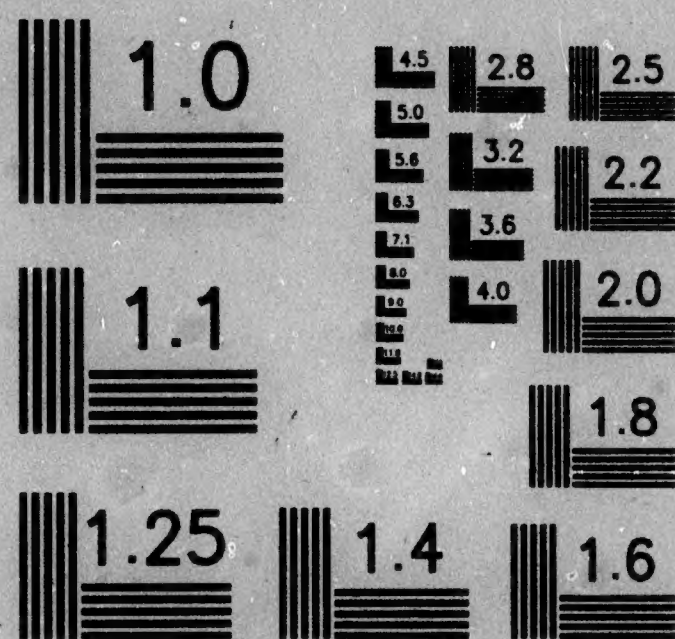
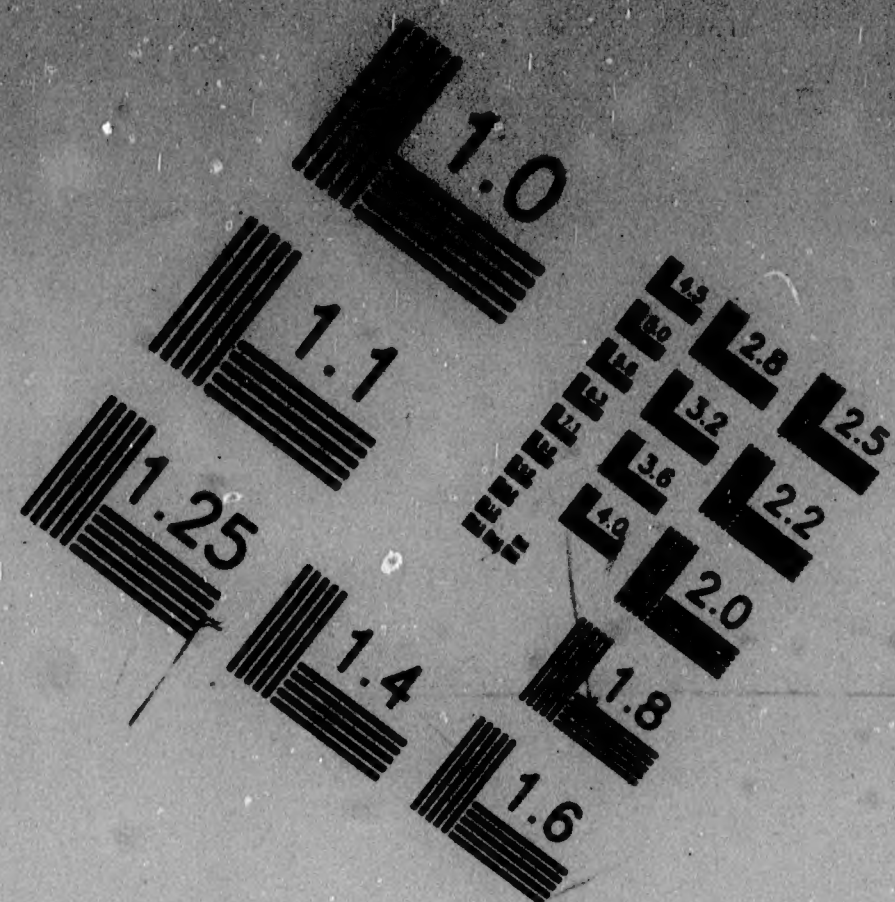
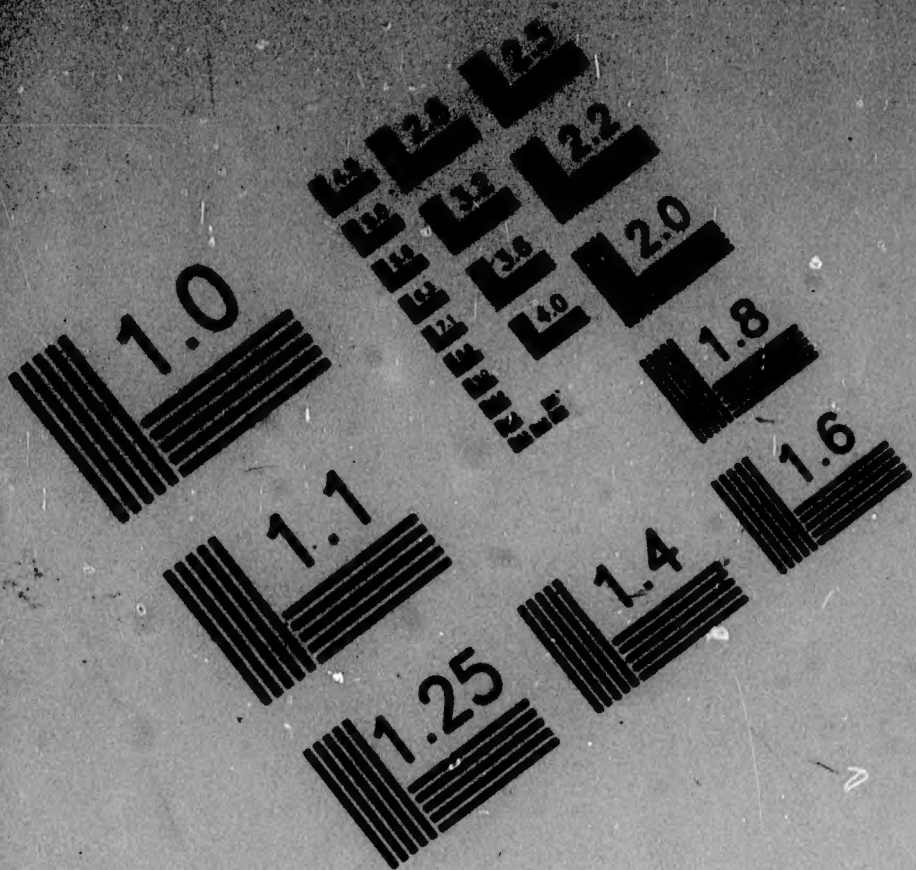
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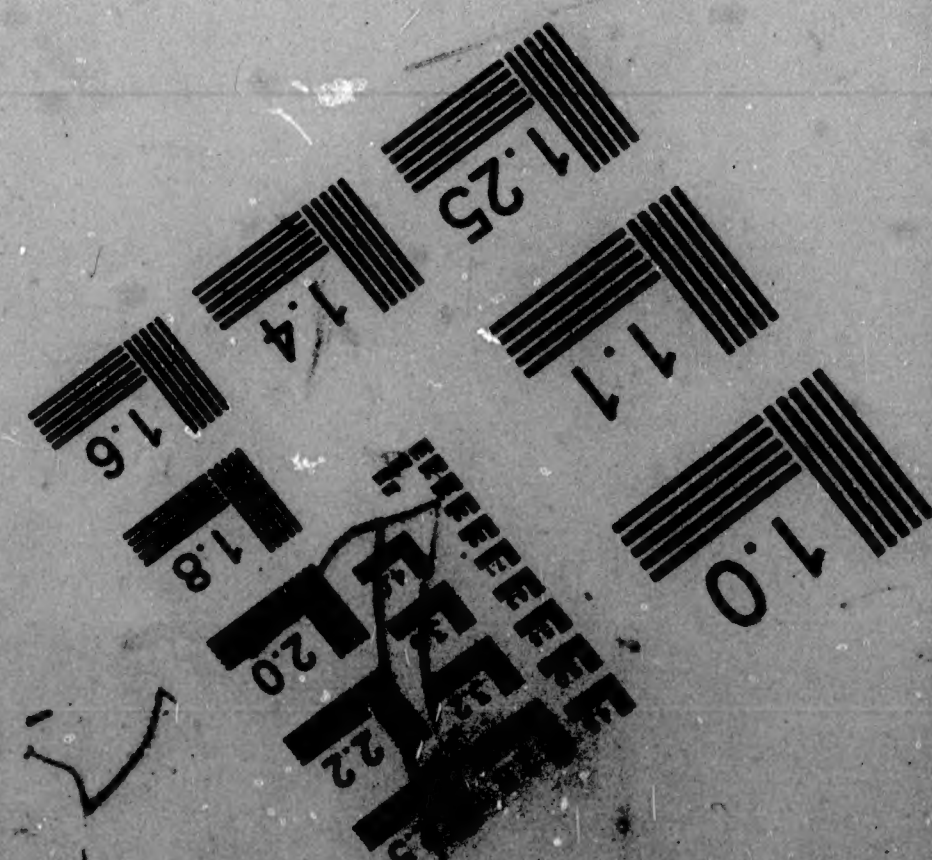
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